

Report Of Anglo-American Inquiry Commission On Palestine

Recommendations and Comments

Recommendation No. 1.

We have to report that such information as we received about countries other than Palestine gave no hope of substantial assistance in finding homes for Jews wishing or impelled to leave Europe.

But Palestine alone cannot meet the emigration needs of the Jewish victims of Nazi and Fascist persecution: The whole world shares responsibility for them and indeed for the resettlement of all "displaced persons."

We, therefore, recommend that our governments together, and in association with other countries, should endeavor immediately to find new homes for all such "displaced persons," irrespective of creed or nationality, whose ties with their former communities have been irreparably broken.

Though emigration will solve the problems of some victims of persecution, the overwhelming majority, including a considerable number of Jews, will continue to live in Europe. We recommend therefore that our governments endeavor to secure that immediate effect is given to the provision of the United Nations charter calling for "universal respect for an observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language, or religion."

Comment

In recommending that our governments, in association with other countries, should endeavor to find new homes for "displaced persons," we do not suggest that any country should be asked to make a permanent change in its immigration policy. The conditions, which we have seen in Europe, are unprecedented, and so unlikely to arise again that we are convinced that special provision could and should be made in existing immigration laws to meet this unique and peculiarly distressing situation. Furthermore, we believe that much could be accomplished—particularly in regard to those "displaced persons," including Jews, who have relatives in countries outside Europe—by a relaxation of administrative regulations.

Our investigations have led us to believe that a considerable number of Jews will continue to live in most European countries. In our view the mass emigration of all European Jews would be of service neither to the Jews themselves nor to Europe. Every effort should be made to enable the Jews to rebuild their shattered communities, while permitting those Jews, who wish to do so, to emigrate. In order to achieve this, restitution of Jewish property should be effected as soon as possible. Our investigations showed us that the Governments chiefly concerned had for the most part already passed legislation to this end. A real obstacle, however, to individual restitution is that the attempt to give effect to this legislation is frequently a cause of active anti-Semitism. We suggest that, for the reconstruction of the Jewish communities, restitution of their corporate property, either through reparations payments or through other means, is of the first importance.

Nazi occupation has left behind it a legacy of anti-Semitism. This cannot be combated by legislation alone. The only really effective antidotes are the enforcement by each Government of guaranteed civil liberties and equal rights, a program of education in the positive principles of democracy, the sanction of a strong world public opinion—combined with economic recovery and stability.

Recommendation No. 2.

We recommend (A) that 100,000 certificates be authorized immediately for the admission into Palestine of Jews who have been the victims of Nazi and Fascist persecutions: (B) that these certificates be awarded as far as possible in 1946 and that actual immigration be pushed forward as rapidly as conditions will permit.

Comment

The number of Jewish survivors of Nazi and Fascist persecution with whom we have to deal far exceeds 100,000; indeed there are more than that number in Germany, Austria and Italy alone. Although nearly a year has passed since their liberation, the majority of those in Germany and Austria are still living in assembly centers, the so-called "camps," island communities in the midst of those at whose hands they suffered so much.

In their interests and in the interests of Europe, the centers should be closed and their camp life ended. Most of them have cogent reasons for wishing to leave Europe. Many are the sole survivors of their families and few have any ties binding them to the countries in which they used to live.

Since the end of hostilities, little has been done to provide for their resettlement elsewhere. Immigration laws and restrictions bar their entry to most countries and much time must pass before such laws and restrictions can be altered and effect given to the alterations. Some can go to countries where they have relatives; others may secure inclusion in certain quotas. Their number is comparatively small.

We know of no country to which the great majority can go in the immediate future other than Palestine. Furthermore that is where almost all of them want to go. There they are sure that they will receive a welcome denied them elsewhere. There they hope to enjoy peace and rebuild their lives.

We believe it is essential that they should be given an opportunity to do so at the earliest possible time. Furthermore we have the assurances of the leaders of the Jewish Agency that they will be supported and cared for.

We recommend the authorization and issue of 100,000 certificates for these reasons and because we feel that their immediate issue will have a most salutary effect upon the whole situation.

In the awarding of these certificates priority should as far as possible be given to those in the centers, and to those liberated in Germany and Austria who are no longer in the centers but remain in those countries. We do not desire that other

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Jews Expect No Trouble; Rabbis Silver and Wise Say Part of Report Resistance to Go on

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

JERUSALEM—No serious trouble is expected in Palestine despite threats by Arab leaders. The average Arab knows the Jews are well organized to meet any attack. He's also aware of the military strength and mobility of the Jews. Isolated attacks on Jews in remote parts of the country are nevertheless a possibility.

The general opinion among Jews here is that Arab threats are "for export only" designed to impress public opinion abroad and thus prevent implementation of the committee's recommendations.

Sentiments of the average Arab in Palestine can be gauged by the fact that Arab merchants who have been doing business with Jews despite the boycott gave large orders to Jewish businesses, but only used the phone in fear of appearing in person. Arabs dealing with small Jewish shops came as usual but used side entrances.

The Jewish resistance radio, "Voice of Israel" warned Arab leaders that any attempt to plunge the country into bloodshed and terror would be met by Jewish force.

Commenting on the committee report the radio said the report doesn't abrogate the White Paper in practice. Jewish resistance began by fighting the existing regime. If there be any radical change in practice, then resistance will adjust itself to new conditions, but if present practices remain unchanged Jewish resistance won't cease.

Arabs Set Palestine Strike In Protest

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

JERUSALEM — The Arab higher committee has decided to call a general strike throughout the country for Friday in protest against the recommendations of the Inquiry Committee. It also telegraphed an appeal to neighboring Arab countries asking them to declare "sympathy strikes" on the same day.

The Arab committee also cabled the governments of the United States and Britain repudiating the committee's report and its recommendations. The cables reiterated the demand of the Palestine Arabs to have Palestine declared an independent state.

All Germans Guilty—Niemoeller

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NUREMBERG—Pastor Martin Niemoeller who was imprisoned by the Nazis for seven years, told an audience of more than 3,000 people this week, that the German people must share the guilt for the murder of 6,000,000 Jews.

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK—While describing as "most gratifying" the recommendation by the Inquiry committee that 100,000 Palestine immigration certificates be allotted immediately, Drs. Abba Hillel Silver and Stephen S. Wise, joint chairmen of the Zionist Emergency Council, pointed out that the report contains some recommendations for the permanent solution of the Palestine problem which "clearly deny Jewish historic rights and aspirations with respect to Palestine and can never be accepted by the Jewish people."

BRITISH ASK JEWS SURRENDER ARMS; ASK U. S. FOR AID

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

LONDON—Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee made it clear before the House of Commons that the British government makes execution of the recommendations of the Anglo-American inquiry committee on Palestine dependent on American financial and military cooperation. As well as disbandment of "illegal armies" in Palestine and the surrender of their arms.

The Prime Minister also emphasized that the practical difficulties involved in the immediate absorption in Palestine of 100,000 Jews from Europe "would obviously be very great." He said the British government will consult with the government of the United States "as soon as possible" and that it recognizes that "decisions must be taken as soon as possible."

Winston Churchill said he hoped the government would take action on the report as soon as possible and when assured by Attlee that this would be done, he agreed to defer any debate on the question.

Truman Approves Report

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

WASHINGTON — Emphasizing that the recommendations of the Anglo-American inquiry committee amount to the abrogation of the British White Paper of 1939, which restricted Jewish immigration and land acquisition in Palestine, President Harry Truman issued a statement expressing his satisfaction with the report.

Council For Judaism Hails Committee Report

Special

PHILADELPHIA — The American Council for Judaism this week hailed the recommendations of the Anglo-American Commission of Inquiry for the settlement of 100,000 displaced European Jews in Palestine on terms which separate the humanitarian problem from the political problem of the future of Palestine.

The Council expressed special gratification that the report adopted the viewpoint of the Council that Palestine shall be neither a Jewish State nor an Arab State.

"This recommendation," the statement declared, "confirms our often expressed view that the humanitarian problem of the displaced Jews of Europe must not be confused by political demands for a Jewish state to which many are opposed on grounds of fundamental principles."

Emphasizing that removal of 100,000 Jewish refugees to Palestine "is long overdue," the statement says President Truman is to be congratulated for having taken the initiative in "this great humanitarian effort," and the committee is to be commended for having fully endorsed his request.

"We note with satisfaction also that the mandatory government of Palestine is reminded of its obligations under terms of the mandate to facilitate Jewish immigration into Palestine after the first 100,000 is admitted," the statement continues. "This is rejection of the immigration restrictions of the White Paper of 1939. However, upon perusal of the report, there are grave doubts left in our minds whether under terms and conditions rather vaguely defined in the report, Jewish immigration into Palestine will actually be facilitated by the government of Palestine."

A. J. Committee

'Grateful'—Proskauer

Special

NEW YORK—Joseph M. Proskauer, President of the American Jewish Committee this week issued a statement expressing gratitude to President Truman and to the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine for securing the recommendation of immediate admission of 100,000 Jews to Palestine and of the abrogation of the British White Paper.

20 JEWS IN LANDSBERG RIOT GO ON TRIAL TODAY; ON 5-DAY HUNGER STRIKE

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

MUNICH—Twenty displaced Jews who were arrested Sunday in connection with the Landsberg riot, will go on trial Friday before the A.M.G. Court on charges of participating in riot, resisting arrest and assaulting members of Allied forces. Military officials announced that warrants are out for additional Jews believed involved in disturbance. Announcement confirmed twenty detained have been hunger striking since early Monday.

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Jewish victims who wish or will be impelled by their circumstances to leave the countries where they now are, or that those who fled from persecution before the outbreak of war, should be excluded. We appreciate that there will be difficulty in deciding questions of priority, but none the less we urge that so far as possible such a system should be adhered to, and that, in applying it, primary consideration should be given to the aged and infirm, to the very young and also to skilled workmen whose services will be needed for many months on work rendered necessary by the large influx.

It should be made clear that no advantage in the obtaining of a certificate is to be gained by migrating from one country to another, or by entering Palestine illegally.

Receiving so large a number will be a heavy burden on Palestine. We feel sure that the authorities will shoulder it and that they will have the full cooperation of the Jewish Agency.

Difficult problems will confront those responsible for organizing and carrying out the movement. The many organizations—public and private—working in Europe will certainly render all the aid they can; we mention UNRRA especially. Cooperation by all throughout is necessary.

We are sure that the Government of the United States, which has shown such keen interest in this matter, will participate vigorously and generously with the Government of Great Britain in its fulfillment. There are many ways in which help can be given.

Those who have opposed the admission of these unfortunate people into Palestine should know that we have fully considered all that they have put before us. We hope, that they will look upon the situation again, that they will appreciate the considerations which have led us to our conclusion, and that above all, if they cannot see their way to help, at least they will not make the position of these sufferers more difficult.

Recommendation No. 3.

In order to dispose, once and for all, of the exclusive claims of Jews and Arabs to Palestine, we regard it as essential that a clear statement of the following principles should be made: I. That Jew shall not dominate Arab and Arab shall not dominate Jew in Palestine. II. That Palestine shall be neither a Jewish state nor an Arab state. III. That the form of government ultimately to be established, shall, under international guarantee, fully protect and preserve the interests in the Holy Land of Christendom and of the Moslem and Jewish faiths.

Thus Palestine must ultimately become a state which guards the rights and interests of Moslems, Jews and Christians alike; and accords to the inhabitants, as a whole, the fullest measure of self-government, consistent with the three paramount principles set forth above.

Comment

Throughout the long and bloody struggle of Jew and Arab for dominance in Palestine, each crying fiercely: "This land is mine"—except for the brief reference in the Report of the Royal Commission (Hereinafter referred to as the Peel Report) and the little evidence, written and oral, that we received on this point—the great interest of the Christian World in Palestine has been completely overlooked, glossed over or brushed aside.

We, therefore, emphatically declare that Palestine is a Holy Land, sacred to Christian, to Jew and to Moslem alike; and because it is a Holy Land, Palestine is not, and can never become, a land which any race or religion can justly claim as its very own.

We further, in the same emphatic way, affirm that the fact that it is the Holy Land, sets Palestine completely apart from other lands, and dedicates it to the precepts and practices of the Brotherhood of Man, not those of narrow nationalism.

For another reason, in the light of its long history, and particularly its history of the last thirty years, Palestine cannot be regarded as either a purely Arab or a purely Jewish land.

The Jews have a historic connection with the country. The Jewish National Home, though embodying a minority of the population, is today a reality established under international guarantee. It has a right to continued existence, protection and development.

Yet Palestine is not, and never can be a purely Jewish land. It lies at the crossroads of the Arab world. Its Arab population, descended from long-time inhabitants of the area, rightly look upon Palestine as their homeland.

It is therefore neither just nor practicable that Palestine should become either an Arab State, in which an Arab majority would control the destiny of a Jewish minority, or a Jewish State, in which a Jewish majority would control that of an Arab minority. In neither case would minority guarantees afford adequate protection for the subordinated group.

A Palestinian put the matter thus: "In the hearts of us Jews there has always been a fear that some day this country would be turned into an Arab State and the Arabs would rule over us. This fear has at times reached the proportions of terror. . . . Now this same feeling of fear has started up in the hearts of Arabs. . . . fear lest the Jews acquire the ascendancy and rule over them."

Palestine, then, must be established as a country in which the legitimate national aspirations of both Jews and Arabs can be reconciled, without either side fearing the ascendancy of the other. In our view this cannot be done under any form of constitution in which a mere numerical majority is decisive, since it is precisely the struggle for a numerical majority which bedevils Arab-Jewish relations. To ensure genuine self-government for both the Arab and the Jewish communities, this struggle must be made purposeless by the constitution itself.

Recommendation No. 4.

We have reached the conclusion that the hostility between Jews and Arabs and, in particular, the determination of each to achieve domination, if necessary by violence, make it almost certain that, now and for some time to come, any attempt to establish either an independent Palestine state or independent Palestinian states would result in civil strife such as might threaten the peace of the world. We therefore recommend that, until this hostility disappears, the Government of Palestine be continued as at present under mandate pending the execution of a trusteeship agreement under the United Nations.

Comment

We recognize that in view of the powerful forces both Arab and Jewish, operating from outside Palestine, the task of Great Britain, as Mandatory, has not been easy. The Peel Commission declared in 1937 that the Mandate was unworkable, and the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations thereupon pointed out that it became almost unworkable once it was publicly declared to be so by such a body. Two years later the British Government, having come to the conclusion that the alternative of Partition proposed by the Peel Commission was also unworkable, announced their intention of taking steps to terminate the Mandate by the establishment of an independent Palestine State. Our recommendations are based on what we believe at this stage to be as fair a measure of justice to all as we can find in view of what has gone before and of all that has been done. We

recognize that they are not in accord with the claims of either party, and furthermore that they involve a departure from the recent policy of the Mandatory. We recognize that, if they are adopted, they will involve a long period of trusteeship, which will mean a very heavy burden for any single Government to undertake, a burden which would be lightened if the difficulties were appreciated and the Trustee had the support of other members of the United Nations.

Recommendation No. 5.

Looking towards a form of ultimate self-government, consistent with the three principles laid down in recommendation No. 3, we recommend that the mandatory or trustee should proclaim the principle that Arab economic, educational and political advancement in Palestine is of equal importance with that of the Jews; and should at once prepare measures designed to bridge the gap which now exists and raise the Arab standard of living to that of the Jews; and so bring the two peoples to a full appreciation of their common interest and common destiny in the land where both belong. (The comment on Recommendation No. 5 Follows, but is not printed here).

Recommendation No. 6.

We recommend that pending the early reference to the United Nations and the execution of a trusteeship agreement, the mandatory should administer Palestine according to the mandate which declares with regard to immigration that "the administration of Palestine, while ensuring that the rights and position of other sections of the population are not prejudiced, shall facilitate Jewish immigration under suitable conditions."

(The comment on Recommendation No. 6 follows, but is not printed here).

Further, while we recognized that any Jew who enters Palestine in accordance with its laws is there of right, we expressly disapprove of the position taken in some Jewish quarters that Palestine has in some way been ceded or granted as their State to the Jews of the world, that every Jew everywhere is, merely because he is a Jew, a citizen of Palestine and therefore can enter Palestine as of right without regard to conditions imposed by the Government upon entry, and that therefore there can be no illegal immigration of Jews into Palestine. We declare and affirm that any immigrant Jew who enters Palestine contrary to its laws is an illegal immigrant.

Recommendation No. 7.

(A) We Recommend that the land transfers regulations of 1940 be rescinded and replaced by regulations based on a policy of freedom in the sale, lease or use of land, irrespective of race, community or creed; and providing adequate protection for the interests of small owners and tenant cultivators. (B) We further recommend that steps be taken to render nugatory and to prohibit provisions in conveyances, lease and agreements relating to land which stipulate that only members of one race, community or creed may be employed on or about or in connection therewith. (C) We recommend that the government should exercise such close supervision over the Holy places and localities such as the Sea of Gallilee and its vicinity as will protect them from desecration and from uses which offend the conscience of religious people; and that such laws as are required for this purpose be enacted forthwith.

Comment

The Land Transfers Regulations of 1940 sought to protect the Arab tenant and small owner by prohibiting the sale of land save to a Palestinian Arab in one zone, by restricting such sales in another, and allowing unrestricted sale of land only in the third zone. Their effect has been such as to amount to discrimination against the Jews; their tendency is to segregate and keep separate Arabs and Jews. In the zones where sales are prohibited or restricted, they have protected the Arab from the temptation to dispose of his land, on which his livelihood and that of his family so often depend, for a sum out of all proportion to its real value. Though made with the object of maintaining the existing standard of living of Arab cultivators, and of preventing the creation of a considerable landless Arab population, they afford no protection to the Arab living in the free zone. He may sell his land for a fantastic price and add to the congestion in the other zones by moving there. An Arab living a short distance away, just across the zone boundary, cannot obtain anything approximating the same sum for land of equal quality.

We are opposed to any legislation or restrictions discriminating against Jew or Arab. We recognize the need for protecting the Arab small owner and tenant, for providing against a large landless Arab population, for maintaining, indeed for raising the Arab standard of living. This necessity was also recognized in the Peel Report (Chapter IX, paragraph 10) which endorsed the following principles of earlier reports, that (i) unless there is a marked change in the methods of cultivation the land in Palestine is unable to support a large increase in population, and (ii) there is already congestion on the land in the hill districts. Those principles are as true, if not truer, today.

We do not believe that the necessary protection for the Arab can be provided only by confining the Jew to particular portions of Palestine. Such a policy, suggested by the Peel Commission, is consistent with their proposed solution, partition, but scarcely with that put forward by us.

The leases granted by the Jewish National Fund contain a provision that no labor other than Jewish shall be employed by the lessee on or about or in connection with the land subject to the lease, and a further provision that a sub-lease shall contain similar terms.

As we have said we are opposed to such discrimination. We appreciate that one of the reasons for such provisions was to secure employment for Jewish immigrants on the land. We do not think that that object justifies the retention of such stipulations which are harmful to cooperation and understanding between Arab and Jews.

Land acquired by the Jewish National Fund or for a Waqf by the Supreme Moslem Council becomes inalienable. The Peel Commission expressed the view in its Report (Chapter IX, paragraph 80) that caution on the part of the Government in disposing of State domain to these bodies was desirable. The situation required watching. It would not be to the interests of the inhabitants of Palestine if too large a proportion of the land should become inalienable whether held by one organization or another.

In the small, thickly populated country of Palestine, with its rapidly increasing population, it is in the interest of Jews and Arabs alike that all land should be developed and put to the fullest possible use. The settlement of title to land should proceed as quickly as possible and the development of State lands, not required for public purposes and capable of use, should be facilitated.

The Holy Land of Palestine contains within its borders and throughout its territories places sacred to the followers of three great religions. The "Lido" with its dancing and swing music on the shore of the Sea of Gallilee offends the sensibilities of many Christian people. Reports came to our notice of other projects the completion of which would be equally objectionable. We therefore feel it right by our recommendation to emphasize the necessity for close supervision and to recommend the strengthening of the law should that be required.

Recommendation No. 8.

Various plans for largescale agricultural and industrial development in Palestine

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Half of Yale's Jewish Students Don't Want to Live as Jews, Survey Shows

NEW YORK—Less than half of 74 Jewish students of Yale University who answered a questionnaire want to live as Jews and feel the desirability of a continued Jewish existence as a distinct, cultural, religious or national group, it is disclosed in a survey published in the current issue of the Yivo Bleter, the publication of the Yiddish Scientific Institute.

The majority of the students, whose average was 18 years and four months, felt that their Jewishness was a hindrance or at best a neutral factor in their daily lives, according to the survey. Twenty-four per cent, or almost one-fourth of the group, felt that complete assimilation would be the best solution to the Jewish problem.

A total of 38 per cent declared themselves atheists, 44 per cent had no definite view and only 18 per cent believed in divine guidance.

Rabbi Meyer Greenberg, director of the Hillel Foundation at Yale University, made the study on the attitudes of the Jewish undergraduates at Yale toward Judaism.

The survey was based on a questionnaire submitted to 94 Jewish students at Yale. A total of 69 out of the 74 students who answered the questionnaire were born in the United States and the great majority of them were Americans of the second generation. Twenty-seven students went to a Hebrew school for an average of three years; 25 attended only a Sunday School; and 14 had occasional private teachers, or had no Jewish education at all.

SURVEY FINDINGS

Synagogue Attendance

31 per cent of the students do not attend synagogue at any time.
20 per cent attend the synagogue only during the High Holidays.
42 per cent attend synagogue services on High Holidays and on other occasions.

7 per cent attend the synagogue at least once a week.

Attitude Toward Judaism

Only 40 per cent of the students felt that the fact that they are Jews had a beneficial influence on their daily lives.

The majority felt their Jewishness was a hindrance, or at best a neutral factor.

Identification With the Jewish Community

Less than 50 per cent of the students want to live as Jews and feel the desirability of a continued Jewish existence as a distinct cultural, religious or national group.

24 per cent felt that complete assimilation would be the best solution of the Jewish problem.

The rest had no views on the question.

Mixed Marriages

47 per cent of the students have no objection to mixed marriages even if the non-Jewish party does not become a convert to Judaism.

34 per cent were opposed to mixed marriages; and the remaining 19 per cent were undecided.

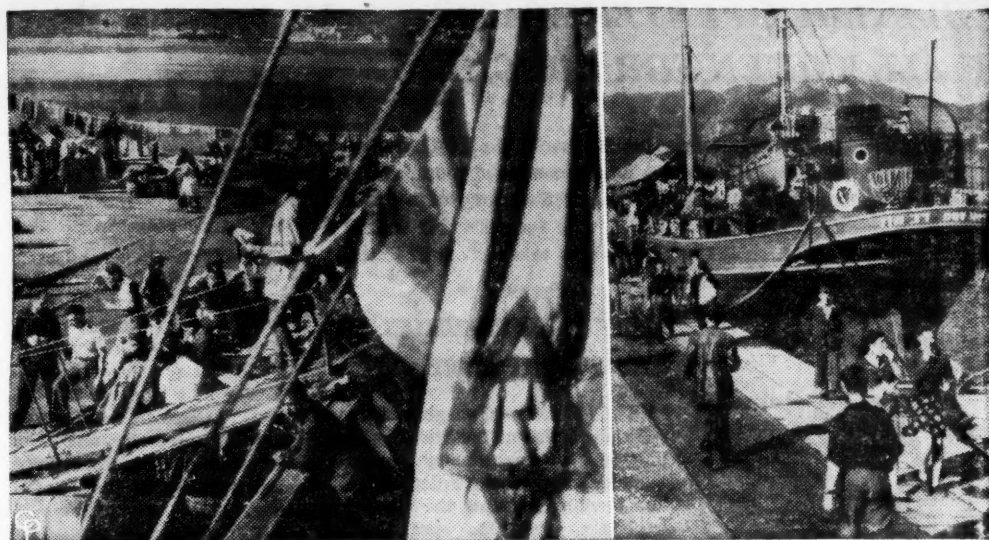
Many students felt that mixed marriages are the best way to weaken anti-Semitism in this country.

Anti-Semitism

Anti-Semitism is by far the most vital and the most annoying problem in the lives of the students.

68 per cent of them felt that American Jews must organize themselves to fight anti-Semitism.

18 per cent felt that organized combatting of anti-Semitism will



Britain Makes 2nd Grant of Visas to Fede Refugees

Determined to "blow up the ship and themselves" if barred from proceeding to Palestine, 1,100 Jews aboard a schooner at La Spezia, Italy, were finally given permission by Great Britain to continue their voyage to the "promised land," but if all expect to go at once they'll have to wait until the middle of this month. A total of 679 certificates available immediately under the April quota was awarded the group first, and later 335 more, good later in May, were granted. At left, the refugees from many parts of war-torn Europe use the ship as a home. The dock became a place of recreation, sunbathing and for the hanging out of wash. Right, is the schooner flying the Italian flag, although none of the refugees could speak Italian. (International)

only tend to increase the hatred toward the Jews.

In line with this consciousness of anti-Semitic discrimination, of which they are well aware on the university campus, but in obvious contradiction to their stand on the problem of mixed marriages and on the question of continuity of Jewish existence, an overwhelming majority of the students, (71 per cent) believe that the Jews should organize their own Jewish organization on the university campus. Only 15 per cent were opposed to such an organization and 14 percent were undecided.

What Are the Jews and the Question of Palestine

The great majority of students believe that Jews are not only a religious but also a national and cultural group and they favor the establishment of a Jewish national home in Palestine; 27 per cent are opposed to the Zionist endeavor.

Jewish Education

The students apparently regretted the inadequate Jewish training they had received.

82 per cent expressed themselves in favor of an intensive Jewish education; 8 per cent were opposed.

61 per cent of the students felt that the curriculum of Jewish education should include the Hebrew language, Hebrew literature, Jewish history and other Hebrew and Jewish subjects.

Belief in God

38 per cent of the students declared themselves to be atheists.

44 per cent had no definite view, and only 18 per cent expressed faith in divine guidance.

A-J Paper Doesn't Publish Passover Issue

Special

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—

One of the few Anglo-Jewish papers not to publish a large Passover issue, The Jewish Community Bulletin announced on page one of last week's paper that "this publication does not believe in the ethics of special editions, published for holy days and will not publish them."

The Bulletin is owned by the Jewish Community.

Chaplain's Conference At Castle

Special

KRONBERG—A conference of Jewish Chaplains will be held near here at Kronberg castle, one of Germany's historic showplaces, and formerly the summer residence of the wife of Emperor Frederick III.

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

These projects, if successfully carried into effect, could not only greatly enlarge the capacity of the country to support an increasing population, but also raise the living standards of Jew and Arab alike.

We are not in a position to assess the soundness of these specific plans; but we cannot state too strongly that, however technically feasible they may be, they will fail unless there is peace in Palestine. Moreover their full success requires the willing cooperation of adjacent Arab states, since they are not merely Palestinian projects. We recommend therefore that the examination, discussion and execution of these plans be conducted, from the start and throughout in full consultation and cooperation not only with the Jewish Agency but also with the Government of the neighboring Arab states directly affected.

Comment

The building of the Jewish economy has enjoyed the advantage of abundant capital, provided on such terms as to make economic return a secondary consideration. The Arabs have had no such advantage. In principle, we do not think it wise or appropriate that plans, such as the project for a Jordan Valley Authority, should if judged technically sound, be undertaken by any private organization, even though that organization, as suggested by the Jewish Agency, should give an assurance of Arab benefits and Arab participation in the management.

Such proposals, by reason of their magnitude and far-reaching effects, should be conceived as public projects, suitable for Government enterprise and accepted only provided that they are calculated to benefit all parts of the population. But the undertaking of a worthwhile project should not be held up merely from financial considerations which could be overcome with the aid of semi-philanthropic resources. Some compromise should not be impossible which would combine Jewish finance with Government responsibility and control.

We welcome the knowledge that the Government of Palestine has itself prepared programs of post-war development; we could wish that means might be found for projects of larger range and on a more ambitious scale; but we recognize that until political peace is restored there is great difficulty in raising the necessary funds whether from revenue or borrowing.

Meanwhile it is suggested that the Government should acquire powers, at present lacking, to investigate fully the extent of the country's water resources, to control the use of underground water and to determine rights to surface water.

We doubt whether Palestine can expand its economy to the full, having regard to its limited natural resources, without a full and free interchange of goods and services with neighboring countries. In some respects, indeed, as in certain projects involving water supply, their active collaboration is indispensable to full development on an economic basis.

The removal of Articles 18 of the Mandate would clear the way to those comprehensive tariff and trade agreements, not conflicting with any international obligations, that might be accepted by the Mandatory or Trustee, which could ultimately lead to something like a customs union—an objective already in mind as between the surrounding countries of the Arab League.

Recommendation No. 9.

We recommend that, in the interests of the conciliation of the two peoples and of general improvement of the Arab standard of living, the educational system of both Jews and Arabs be reformed including the introduction of compulsory education within a reasonable time.

Comment

In Chapter XIV of the Peel Report, the bad features of the educational system of Palestine and the great disparity between the money spent on Arab and Jewish education were pointed out. The Report also emphasized that both Jewish and Arab education in Palestine were nationalistic in character. Particular attention was called to nationalist propaganda in Arab schools.

Our investigations disclosed that today the Jewish schools also—controlled and largely financed by the Jewish community—are imbued with a fiery spirit of nationalism. They have become most effective agencies for inculcating a spirit of aggressive Hebrew nationalism. We would urge most strongly that adequate control must be exercised by the Government over the education of both Jews and Arabs, in order to do away with the present excited emphasis on racialism and the perversion of education for propaganda purposes. The Government should ensure, by a careful supervision of text books and curricula, and by inspection of schools that education contributes to the conciliation of the two peoples.

We believe further that a large share of responsibility for Arab education might well be assumed by an Arab community, similar to the Jewish community already established in Palestine. But if the Arab and Jewish communities are to set themselves the goal of compulsory education, a much higher proportion of the annual Palestinian budget must be devoted to education than heretofore, most of which will be spent on Arab education. This will only be possible if the proportion of the budget now devoted to security can be substantially reduced.

We would also stress the urgent necessity of increasing the facilities for secondary, technical and university education available to Arabs. The disparity between the standard of living of the two peoples, to which we have already drawn attention, is very largely due to the fact that the Jewish professional and middle class so largely outnumbers that of the Arabs. This difference can only be removed by a very substantial increase in the facilities for higher education available to Arabs.

Recommendation No. 10.

We recommend that, if this report is adopted, it should be made clear beyond all doubt to both Jews and Arabs that any attempt from either side, by threats of violence, by terrorism, or by the organization or use of illegal armies to prevent its execution, will be resolutely suppressed.

Furthermore, we express the view that the Jewish Agency should at once resume active cooperation with the mandatory in the suppression of terrorism and of illegal immigration, and in the maintenance of that law and order throughout Palestine which is essential for the good of all, including the new immigrants.

HADASSAH TO ENTER SLATE OF ALL WOMEN FOR CONGRESS

Special

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America and Junior Hadassah whose combined membership is 180,000 will submit their own slate comprised entirely of women, to American Jews who are scheduled to vote for delegates to the first peace-time World Zionist Congress which takes place in Palestine on August 7. Hadassah's will be the only all-woman slate submitted to the electorate in this country.

Both Junior and senior Hadassah are general Zionist bodies, as is the Zionist Organization of America which will also have its own slate. Election of delegates to represent all Zionist parties will be held throughout the United States on June 16 and 17.

Hadassah will also seek the election of a woman to the World Zionist Executive, believing that "the tens of thousands of American Jewish women enrolled in our ranks are entitled to representation on the Executive which is charged with the duty of carrying out Congress deliberations."

Together with other General Zionists, Hadassah is pledged "to support a sound upbuilding program for Palestine in which industry and agriculture will be permitted to develop their fullest possibilities; in which the importance of Jewish traditions are interwoven into the fabric of Jewish national life."

Paper Under AMG Prints Murder Lie

Jewish World News Service

MUNICH—The general atmosphere of good will and hope in which the Passover holidays were celebrated by the displaced Jews in Germany was marred by an incident in Stuttgart which for a time caused much anxiety to the Jews in the camps of that city and in the American zone as a whole.

When a little German girl disappeared from her home in Stuttgart immediately a rumor was spread that the child was kidnapped by the Jews and killed for ritual purposes. Much to the surprise of the Jews, the German newspaper, Stuttgarter Zeitung, published under the auspices of the American military authorities, printed the rumor in a notice about the disappearance of the child without commenting one way or another about the ritual murder accusation. The newspaper merely remarked that it refrains from discussing the question whether Jews use blood for Matzos or not, but asked the readers to wait until it would be definitely ascertained whether the child was really kidnapped.

The child as usual was found in a few days, but the paper did not even mention the fact in its columns. The Jews of Stuttgart were greatly chagrined that the American authorities had allowed such a rumor to be published in an American controlled newspaper.

To Publish 1,000 Copies of Talmud in Germany This Spring for Use in Synagogues and Schools

Special

AUGSBURG, Germany—Under the auspices of the Joint Distribution Committee, the Talmud is being published in Germany this spring for the first time in twenty years. An edition of 1,000 copies of the tractate, "Baba Metzia," one of the books of the Talmud, is being published in this city under arrangements made by Rabbi Alexander S. Rosenberg, J. D. C. director of religious activities in Germany.

Publication of the volume, which deals with civil laws derived from the bible, was supervised by Rabbi David Morowitz, formerly Dayan of Gross Varden, Rumania, now rabbi of the displaced persons camp at Landsberg.

Copies will be distributed among synagogues and theological schools in the American zones of occupation in Germany and Austria.

5,000 Sidurim To Honor Pinsky, Guzik

Special

AUGSBURG, Germany—To honor Gertrude Pinsky and David Guzik, Joint Distribution Committee directors in the Netherlands and Poland, respectively, who lost their lives in an airplane crash at Prague, Czechoslovakia, on March 5, an edition of 5,000 copies of a prayer book being published here will be dedicated to their memory under the auspices of the Joint Distribution Committee.

Weizmann, Press Condemn Attack Killing 7; British Troops Retaliate in 3 Villages

By BERL CORALNIK

Magnes Welcomes GIs To Hebrew University

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

JERUSALEM—Several American veterans who have enrolled at the Hebrew University here under the educational provisions of the G. I. Bill of Rights were welcomed at the University's club by Dr. Judah L. Magnes, American-born president of the university, and Mrs. Rose Jacobs of New York, only woman member of the Jewish Agency.

Before beginning their studies the veterans will make a ten-day tour of the country. They reported that other ex-soldiers from the United States would be coming to the Hebrew University next term.

Wallace Raps Britain For Palestine Acts

By HARRY CUSHING

Jewish Post Staff Correspondent

BOSTON, Mass.—Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace rapped Britain's program in Palestine when he addressed the Massachusetts Independent Voters League meeting at the Hotel Bradford here on Sunday.

He declared that the difficulties between Arabs and Jews in Palestine would not be so great if the English "came clean."

"I hope sometime there will be an international organization working on a self-liquidation basis functioning for the good of all mankind. The United States can contribute technicians to such a program."

"I'd like to see worked out along these lines a Jordan Valley Authority, available to the Jews and the Arabs alike. Let these brother races put their attention on who can produce the most crops. I'm not so sure the political rivalry would be so great if certain hands were kept off."

"In other words I'd have the British keep hands off. I'd have the British come clean."

Touring MP Sees Widespread Bias

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

BUCHAREST—John Mack, British Labor M.P., who is now touring Rumania, told a public meeting that he "has noticed that anti-Semitism is still widespread here."

Three hundred and fifty delegates from all parts of the country gathered here at the opening session of the National Zionist Federation of Rumania.

all Jews interested in the progressive future of Palestine and of the Jewish people to mobilize in support of the Labor Zionist and Progressive Bloc.

TEL AVIV—Troops of the Sixth Airborne Division, seven of whose comrades were killed by Jewish terrorists last week, attacked the Jewish villages of Nathanya, Beer-Tuvia, and Givat Hayim about 30 miles from Tel Aviv. Many persons were manhandled and windows of houses and shops were shattered and furniture smashed.

In a statement issued here declaring that the attacks were being investigated, the military authorities said that they "deeply deplore such incidents especially in face of British troops' admirable patience and restraint in face of repeated and unprovoked attacks, culminating in the brutal murder of seven of their comrades."

Tel Aviv remained out of bounds to all British troops except for reinforcements patrolling the streets, as tension in the city continued high. In an official statement, the municipal council expressed regret at the "outrageous murder" of the seven men, but added that resentment was felt at the announcement by Maj. Gen. A. J. H. Cassels, commander of the Sixth Airborne Division, that the entire population of the city was responsible for the terror. It added that it felt that unjust punishment had been visited upon a population which was opposed to criminal acts.

Charges Jewish Leaders Knew of Attack

Gen. Cassels summoned Acting Mayor Eliezer Perlson and told him that he was imposing a dusk-to-dawn curfew in the Lydda and Samaria districts, which include Tel Aviv, and was closing all restaurants and places of entertainment in the city after 8 p. m. Gen. Cassels said that he was sure that many residents of the city had known of the plot in advance and that Perlson could, if he wished, furnish information leading to the arrest of those responsible. He added: "My decision to restrict the whole community has been made in order to maintain public security and because I hold the community to blame."

Jewish leaders, led by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, and the Hebrew press, strongly condemned the violence. Following statements by the executive committee of the Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Council scoring the perpetrators of the attack, Dr. Weizmann issued a statement expressing his "abhorrence" at a crime "which could only discredit anyone connected with it." He said that he was certain that all Palestine Jews condemned such crimes and expressed sympathy to the families of the dead soldiers.

At the same time, the Palestine Government Information Office told correspondents that the High Commissioner was shocked by the attack, which he charged was not justified by considerations of any character—military or otherwise—since the car park was not a military objective.

Attack Lasts 3 Hours, Highly Coordinated

The three-hour attack opened with the explosion of an anti-personnel grenade in the parking area adjoining the police station, according to this morning's official communiqué. The attackers followed up with small arms and machine gun fire and, under cover of the fire, rushed and captured a guard tent in the parking area. A quantity of arms were removed from the tent and from military vehicles.

House-to-house searches followed the establishment of a troop and police cordon. More than 1,500 people were questioned and seventy-nine were held for further investigation.

NEUMAN CHARGES ATTEMPT TO SEIZE JVA PAPERS

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK—An attempt by a Palestine Government official to confiscate important papers connected with the projected Jordan Valley Authority was revealed here by Emanuel Neuman, chairman of the Commission on Palestine Surveys.

Dr. Neuman, who has just returned from Palestine where he submitted the JVA plan to the Anglo-American inquiry committee, said that while he was at Lydda airfield, waiting to board a plane for London, he was asked by a Government official to allow his luggage to be inspected. When the official found numerous documents dealing with the JVA project, he informed Dr. Neuman that he would have to impound them.

The Zionist leader protested that he had brought most of the material with him from the United States and declared that he would not leave without it, but was told that "those are my orders from Jerusalem." He was finally permitted to leave without surrendering the papers. He attributed the incident to statements he made while in Palestine which were critical of British rule there.

Reporting that the Palestine Government had submitted "unsigned" memoranda to the Anglo-American committee severely criticizing the JVA plan, Dr. Neuman said that James B. Hays and John L. Savage, the American engineers who designed the project, had refuted the memoranda before the committee and expressed "amazement and distress that such memoranda were submitted by persons who evidently had no experience with such large-scale projects."

Chaplain's Wife to Join Him in Germany

Special

ORLANDO, Fla.—Mrs. Irving Ganz, wife of Chaplain Ganz, and child plan to join him in Frankfurt, Germany, soon, it has been learned. Mrs. Ganz talked to her husband by trans-Atlantic phone last week.

Chaplain Ganz was formerly spiritual leader of the Jewish Community Synagogue of Bay City, Mich., where Mrs. Ganz was program director for the Y. W. C. A.

DALLAS TELLS HOW IT RAISED \$750,011 ON A \$400,000 QUOTA

Special

NEW YORK—The Jewish community of Dallas this week claimed the title of national pace-setter on behalf of the \$100,000,000 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal as it wound up a phenomenal campaign with a precedent-shattering total of \$750,011 for the U.J.A. against a 1946 goal of \$400,000.

The record campaign of the Dallas Jewish Welfare Federation, under the leadership of Lawrence S. Pollock and Julius Schepps, was regarded by veteran campaigners throughout the country as a uniquely impressive achievement that would serve to inspire communities in every section of the country.

The 1946 Dallas Jewish Welfare Federation drive in 1942, the year before it entered the War Chest, raised a total of \$132,000.

Advance Gifts Almost Raise Quota

The extraordinary Dallas campaign was sparked by the Advance Gifts Division which produced \$394,585—virtually the entire quota—at the opening of the drive. Leslie L. Jacobs, chairman of the Southwest Region of the United Jewish Appeal, headed the Advance Gifts Division.

The total also includes \$70,000 raised by 234 non-Jews of Dallas under the leadership of the Dallas newspaper publishers—Tom Gooch of the Times-Herald and Ted Dealey of the Morning News.

A major factor in the overwhelming success of the Dallas drive in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal was the Women's Division which, capitalizing on new campaign techniques, raised a record total of \$80,011—exactly double the 1946 goal that was assigned to it. In the last Dallas campaign, the Women's Division achieved a total of \$16,788.

Originally, the Women's Division goal was fixed at \$40,000 but this figure was later boosted to \$50,000.

Mrs. David M. Levy, Chairman of the National Women's Division of the \$100,000,000 United Jewish Appeal campaign, visited Dallas where she addressed a Big Gifts and workers luncheons. At a Big Gifts tea, 17 women pledged \$15,200 after hearing Mrs. Levy.

2 Get Idea for \$100 Luncheon and Pay Cost

Following the Big Gifts tea, two local women leaders, Mrs. Herbert Marcus and Mrs. Carrie Neiman, developed plans for a large advance gifts luncheon at which every invitee would be advised in advance that a minimum contribution of \$100 would be expected. The two women agreed to pay all expenses for the luncheon. This luncheon, attended by 185 women, produced a total of \$52,500—an increase of \$2,500 over the goal that had been set up for the entire Women's Division.

With the big gifts functions completed, a corps of 350 workers was organized to solicit the 2,500 carefully singled-out prospects. As a result of the intensive drive hundreds of women who never contributed independently in previous campaigns made their own gifts this year. It was estimated that between 75 and 85 per cent of the \$80,000 raised by the Women's Division would never have been raised otherwise, contrary to the opinion prevailing in some quarters that a wife's giving affects her husband's contribution. As a matter of fact the increased standard of giving established by the women was responsible to a great extent for proportionately increased gifts by their husbands.

Defense In Libel Trial Against Under Cover Says Man's Reputation too Bad to be Harmed

Jewish Post Staff Correspondent

CHICAGO—Denial that George Washington Robnett, executive secretary of the Church League of America, was a person of good name or reputation in Chicago or Cook county, was made in an answer filed in Federal court here, to Robnett's \$100,000 libel suit against E. P. Dutton and Company, publishers.

Robnett's suit claimed that John Roy Carlson's best seller, "Under Cover," published by Dutton, damaged his reputation by accusing him of anti-Semitic statements. He charged also that a statement on the jacket of the book, referring to "enemies-within," referred to him, since he was named in the book.

The publisher's answer contended that Robnett "was and is not esteemed by right thinking people generally, other than those that share his ideological views."

The reply continued:

"If any reader . . . might . . . construe or understand the language of the book or jacket to refer or apply to plaintiff (Robnett), as an enemy of such reader or readers, then such language was and is true."

All statements in the book against Robnett which were factual were true, and all criticism was fair, the answer claimed.

Robnett "during time of war conducted a campaign of vilification, abuse and caustic criticism of the President of the United States, the commander-in-chief of the armed forces of the United States and other persons charged with prosecution and conduct of the war," the answer continued.

The case is set for hearing May 20 before Federal Judge John P. Barnes.

J.W.B. SERVICES AT ARLINGTON TO HONOR JEWISH DEAD

Special

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A memorial service at Arlington National Cemetery to pay tribute to the Jewish War Dead of World War II will be a feature of the 29th annual meeting of the National Jewish Welfare Board here May 4-6.

More than 500 Jewish community leaders from all parts of the

United States will converge in the Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., this week-end to hear among others, Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson and General Omar N. Bradley, administrator of the U. S. Veterans Administration, who will be the principal convention speakers.

Gen. Bradley's talk will be heard over the entire NBC network from 1:30 to 1:45 p. m., EST, Monday. In New York, Gen. Bradley will be heard over Station WEAF from 1:45 to 2:00 p. m., EST.

Frank Weil Heads New Welfare Assembly

NEW YORK—Frank L. Weil, president of the National Jewish Welfare Board, was elected chairman of the executive committee of the newly-created National Social Welfare Assembly, a group of 36 of the leading national volunteer welfare agencies and government welfare services. Charles P. Taft, of Cincinnati, was elected president of the Assembly at its first meeting over which Mr. Weil presided.

'Era of Destiny' Meet Theme

ATLANTIC CITY—"An Era of Destiny" will be the theme of the biennial convention of the United Synagogue to be held May 23-26 at St. Charles Hotel, it was announced by Michael A. Stavitsky, of Newark, N. J., convention chairman, and Rabbi Max J. Routtenberg, Reading, Pa., executive director.

Smith Officially At Mote Funeral

Special

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—Gerald L. K. Smith assumed his role as a member of the clergy to conduct services here for his friend and co-worker, Carl H. Mote, 61, well-known America Firster and anti-Semite, who died after a long illness. Publisher of "America Preferred," Mote did not hide his hatred for the Jew and his publication was full of anti-Semitic innuendos. In 1944 he was chairman and principal speaker at the America First party national convention.

Mr. Mote's most recent activity with nationalist groups had been as president of the United Farmers of America, an offshoot of the National Farmers' Guild, which he also headed, but from which position he was ousted.

Highly Desired Atlanta Pulpit is Filled

Special

ATLANTA, Ga.—The pulpit of Rabbi Marx's congregation has been filled by Chaplain Jacob Rothschild, formerly assistant to Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof in Pittsburgh, it was learned this week.

The pulpit here is one of the most desirable in the United States. Rabbi Marx recently celebrated his fiftieth anniversary. He is an anti-Zionist and at least a non-Zionist was sought to fill his pulpit when he becomes Rabbi Emeritus.

A.J. Congress Urges Return to Rationing

Special

NEW YORK—A call for immediate resumption of food rationing in the United States was voiced unanimously by representatives of 400 religious, philanthropic, cultural organizations and Landsmanschaften affiliated with the American Jewish Congress, at an Emergency Conference of the Committee for Overseas Supplies of the World and American Jewish Congress at the Edison Hotel on Sunday, April 28.

The delegates urged President Truman to reestablish rationing machinery and thus save "150,000,000 starving men, women and children of all races, colors and creeds throughout Europe and Asia who face death unless immediate aid is forthcoming."

Not Race or Nation, But Nationality—Heller

Special

CLEVELAND—Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner played host here today to more than 200 Greater Cleveland clergymen who gathered in his Euclid Avenue Temple to participate in a pageant of inter-faith brotherhood.

Dr. James G. Heller of Cincinnati, former president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, pointed out that Jews are not a race or a nation but a nationality. "We also are a religion but not in the Protestant sense because we do not have a creed," he explained. "We stress the necessity of living the good life."

Dr. Israel Bettan of Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati, spoke on "The Sermon in the Synagogue of the Middle Ages."

Three new titles are being prepared by Sharon Books for publication: "Escape From the Pit" by Renya Kukiello, "Hannah Szenes—Life of a Heroine" and "The Revival of Palestine" by Joshua Zyman.



Chairman Gets \$70,000 From Non-Jews

One of the highlights of the phenomenal Dallas campaigns on behalf of the \$100,000,000 United Jewish Appeal was the voluntary organization of a Non-Sectarian Committee, composed of prominent non-Jewish Dallasites, which raised a total of \$70,000—almost ten percent of the record-shattering total of \$750,000 achieved by Dallas against a 1946 goal of \$400,000. This represents the largest amount thus far contributed by non-Jews in any community outside New York. Above, the two Co-Chairmen of the Non-Sectarian Committee, the publishers of the Dallas morning and afternoon papers, present a check for \$70,000 and the list of 234 non-Jews who participated in the record drive to Julius Schepps, President of the Dallas Jewish Welfare Federation. (L. to R.) Tom Gooch, publisher of the Dallas Times-Herald, Ted Dealey, publisher of the Dallas Morning News, and Mr. Schepps.

Rosenwald Gives \$1000 To Welfare Fund

Special

ATLANTA, Ga.—William Rosenwald, who is known to make personal contributions in cities where he speaks before United Jewish appeal meetings, gave \$1,000 to the Atlanta Jewish Welfare Fund in recognition of the outstanding leadership of Frank Garson in this and former Welfare Fund campaigns, according to the Southern Israelite.

Retiring Prison Head Praises Jews' Record

Special

HARTFORD, Conn.—"The rarest thing in the world" is to have a girl of Jewish faith at Long Lane School for Delinquent Girls, state institution at Middletown, Conn. This statement was made by Miss Caroline deF. Penniman, superintendent who will retire Sept. 1 after serving in that capacity for twenty-nine years.

There is one Jewish girl at the school now, however, reported Miss Penniman. This girl is the offspring of an interfaith marriage that didn't work out.

Miss Penniman feels the rarity of Jewish girls at the school is due to what the sociologists have already found out—the close knit Jewish family.

Manning, Lehman, Dewey, O'Dwyer to Aid

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK—Governor Thomas Dewey, former Governor Herbert H. Lehman, Bishop William T. Manning and Mayor William O'Dwyer will serve as honorary chairmen of the Community Committee of New York on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, it was announced by Nelson A. Rockefeller, chairman of the committee.

Terming their endorsement "an inspiring symbol of the way in which Americans, since the founding of our country, have joined together to help alleviate the sufferings of distressed peoples," Mr. Rockefeller added: "The sponsorship of these leaders is most encouraging to the members of the Community Committee of New York. It is evidence of the sympathy and concern which the community as a whole feels for the Jews who suffered so bitterly under the Nazi regime, and of the support coming from people of all faiths and from all walks of life."

Council Organizes In Denver

Special

DENVER, Colo.—Over 200 persons attended the meeting here, addressed by Rabbi Irving Reichert, national vice president, at which a Denver chapter of the American Council for Judaism was organized.

Lewis on Books

By DR. THEODORE N. LEWIS

Jews in Soviet Russia

The fate which befalls any critic of Soviet Russia has overtaken me—this I discovered from the defense which the publisher of The Post was obliged to make in my behalf. Because I referred to Soviet Russia as a dictatorial, a police state with secret police, secret arrests and trials, which is the simple truth, have I been promptly villified as a Red baiter, Fascist, reactionary, etc. What these slanderers are trying to do, and have to a large degree splendidly succeeded, is to make any criticism of the Soviet regime as impossible in the United States as it is within Russia itself.



With this introductory word, I will proceed to analyze the position and prospects of the Jews in Soviet Russia. My facts and conclusions are derived entirely from a refreshing discussion on "The Jewish Minority" contained in that informative and in some instances naive volume by that ardent fellow traveller, Corliss Lamont, entitled "The Peoples of the Soviet Union," (A Harcourt-Brace Publication.)

UNLESS one believes that national and racial suicide, complete cultural and religious assimilation is the only solution for the Jewish problem, Jews must weep over these pages, despite the fact that anti-Semitism is a crime in Russia and severely punishable. The negative blessing, mere suppression of anti-Jewish hatred, leaves me, a self-respecting Jew and person, absolutely cold. I simply cannot be grateful to anyone, government, party or individual, for assuring me and my people that to which all decent men and races and groups are entitled, namely the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The mere fact that so many of our Jews grow ecstatic over this fact, testifies to the deep damage which Jewish self-esteem has suffered. Furthermore, the necessity for government action to outlaw anti-Semitism and to punish offenders proves that the germs of the disease are not entirely economic, as it is so often proclaimed.

What, however, fills me not with gratitude but with wrath and protest is that the outlawing of anti-Semitism is accompanied by a brutal and systematic outlawing of Judaism and all Jewish values, moral, national, religious and spiritual. This condition insures not Jewish survival, but Jewish disappearance and extinction. While Hitler decimated the Jews physically, the Jews in Soviet Russia are being decimated spiritually. Though the methods and techniques are radically different, the ultimate consequences to Israel are identical and as disastrous.

THIS IS NOT my own "fascist" opinion, but that of Mr. Lamont who expresses it not only with frankness, but with joyous approval in the few but highly alarming and informing pages he devotes to the Jewish question.

His contention that "the Jews in the Soviet Union enjoy a full rounded ethnic democracy that no other country in the world at present gives to the Jewish people" simply does not square with the facts and with truth as he presents them. An "ethnic democracy" means the right to preserve

the ethos of a people, its basic characteristics as defined and expressed in culture, in language, in national aspirations, in the collective group hopes as embodied in the literature of history and experience of the people. This is "ethnic democracy" and it is precisely these ethnic manifestations of the Jewish people which Mr. Lamont admits the Soviet Union prohibits, outlaws and condemns, even as it does anti-Jewish bias.

One of the chief items in the Jewish ethos is the Hebrew language. The Soviet government prohibits it on the spurious ground of "counter revolution" by what logic is still a mystery. In the same category as Hebrew is the ideal of Zionism, which Mr. Lamont admits is branded a "bourgeois movement bound up with foreign imperialism." The Jews of Soviet Russia who love Zion are regarded as enemies of the state and punished as such! A most indispensable element in the Jewish ethos is Judaism, the religion, culture, and heritage of the Jew, all of which are taboo. With this also goes the prohibition against religious instruction to youths under eighteen. That all religions share identical disabilities is no consolation for Jews. A Jew who reaches his eighteenth birthday without any knowledge of Jewish history, Jewish religion, the Bible, etc., is lost to the Jewish people.

THE POLICY of compulsory Jewish assimilation has been eminently successful. Mr. Lamont quotes the opinion of a severe critic of the Kremlin, Mr. William Henry Chamberlain, who testifies that "... the Soviet Union has come closer ... to solving what is sometimes called the Jewish problem on a basis of assimilation ... many Jewish parents do not wish to have their children taught Yiddish in the schools, and prefer to have them instructed in Russian ... among the younger Jews, observance of old Hebrew festivals and rituals have almost died out ... intermarriage with Russians has become frequent." (page 91). Does this require comment?

The only hope Mr. Lamont allows, the only consolation, is that even though "assimilation of the Jews is to be the eventual outcome in Soviet Russia" ... this outcome will take a long time. How long? "For the rest of the twentieth century at least there will undoubtedly be Jewish groups in the U. S. S. R. ..." The disappearance of the Jews in Russia by the end of our century is an assured certainty, quite inevitable! Which should fill the hearts of our assimilationists with rapturous glee, and of our loyal Jews with grief and sorrow!

With Bira Bidjan now again in the public eye, Mr. Lamont's unvarnished truth about the subject should help us realize the purely propagandistic character of the project, including the 30,000 orphan undertaking. Though he does indicate that Bira Bidjan is one and a half times bigger than Palestine, he nevertheless admits that the Soviet Jews who "enjoy under the Soviet regime complete ethnic freedom ... felt no need to live apart in a special region."

A Jew who would forsake Moscow or Kiev for Bira Bidjan would be insane. Just what material or spiritual advantages would he gain? No wonder that this so-called autonomous Jewish republic had the grand "total of 114,000 souls, of whom only 40 per cent" or about 50,000 were Jews. What a contrast with Pal-

estine, with its over 600,000 Jews, who instead of being assimilated and losing their Jewishness, national religious and spiritual, are growing therein daily.

THE YISHUV with a heroic tenacity to preserve the Jewish people from death is an inspiring manifestation that the Jewish people has as much moral right to exist in the world as the Russian people, that Hebrew is as noble a medium of speech as Russian; that Hebraic culture and literature are as significant and challenging for mankind as Russian—that Jewish nationalism is as legitimate as Slav—in a word, that Jerusalem is as valid for humanity as Moscow.

The truth about the Jews in Russia is that they are the victims of an inexorable policy of assimilation, and that within fifty years or more they will utterly disappear. Our assimilationists may well rejoice at this. But, loyal Jews weep at the ineffable tragedy of the separation of five millions of Jews from the body of Israel, a community as large if not larger than the entire body of American Jewry—a tragedy as grievous and as unprecedented, though of a different character and tempo, as the tragedy of Israel under the Nazis.

YOUR NAME

By N. PEARLROTH

If you want the derivation of your name traced and explained, write to Mr. Pearlroth, The Jewish Post, Box 1633, Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Mr. Pearlroth:

Kindly give the origin of our family name. My name was Weiskabonick—changed to Wise.

I must at this time say that the few copies that we received of the Jewish Post, has broadened my views immensely, and we are very pleased, indeed, to receive this very interesting paper every week.

Sincerely,

MRS. BEN BECKER

Dayton, O.

Weiskabonick

This is an Ukrainian name meaning "Waxmaker" (Woskoboinik).

It dates back to the days when not only was electric light undreamed of, but even kerosene was unknown. The beggar's hovel as well as the king's palace had to depend on wax candles for their only illumination. Wax making was a Government monopoly while a special Jewish tax was levied on every candle kindled for the Sabbath.

"Splendid" lighting effects could be achieved as the Royal Opera or at the Emperor's ball by the simultaneous use of 10,000 wax candles in elaborate candelabra.

Some member of your family must have been in the business of wax candle manufacturing to have assumed this name by virtue of their occupation.

Dear Mr. Pearlroth,

I have read your column saying that you may be able to find the origin and meaning of last names. My last name is not a common one and I am very interested in knowing its source and origin.

Respectfully yours,

LEON NUTES

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Nutes

This is the genitive form of the Hebrew name Nathan, Jewish "Nute." It is a Yiddish version of Nathans or Nathanson.

There is an interesting historical association in the name.

After the partition of Poland a large part of what had been Great Poland was incorporated in the kingdom of Prussia. The

Between You and Me

By BORIS SMOLAR



A VERY busy summer lies ahead for Zionist leaders in America. ... They are engaged in an election campaign for the forthcoming World Zionist Congress, and at the same time, must resume their intensive political activities in Washington. ... Zionist political work in Washington was at a standstill during the time the Anglo-American inquiry committee was making its study. ... But now that the inquiry is completed and the report of the committee has been made public, there is much to do in Washington. ... Especially

SUMMER DOINGS since the report has proven the extent of American influence on the Palestine issue. And, particularly, because of the role which the United States is to play with regard to the Palestine question at the September session of the United Nations Assembly in New York. ... A Zionist delegation may soon visit the White House to express thanks to President Truman for his initiative in recommending the admission of 100,000 Jews to Palestine. ... And action is also expected in Washington on securing American ships for speedy transportation of the 100,000 Jews from Europe to Palestine. ... At the same time, the ground work must be laid in Washington for the discussions which will develop at the U. N. meeting with regard to the Palestine Mandate now that the League of Nations has transferred the Mandate to the United Nations. ... All this, together with the Shekel campaign, will keep Zionist leaders hopping in the hot summer months. ...

Many Zionists in this country will probably be disappointed to learn that Dr. Chaim Weizmann may not attend the forthcoming World Zionist Congress. ... He indicated as much to American Zionist leaders. ... He is leaving Palestine for England in June, and he doubts whether he can be in Palestine again in August in time for the Congress. ... Incidentally, Dr. Weizmann is against holding the Congress in Palestine. ... He would prefer to have the Congress held in Geneva. ... Because of his health, he does not intend to seek re-election to the presidency of the World Zionist Organization. ... He privately advocates the formation of a praesidium of three, composed of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, David Ben Gurion, and Prof. Selig Brodet-sky. ... Prof. Brodet-sky will probably not be acceptable to the Mizrahi who

king of Prussia at the time was Frederick the Great who disliked his newly acquired Jewish subjects.

On a trip through the Prussian-Polish provinces he was met by a delegation of Jews in a little town in the province of Posen. One of the delegation was introduced to the king under the name of Nutis, which is the same name as yours. The king inquired what the name meant. The same explanation as I gave above was vouchsafed to the king. But the king was annoyed. He thought it was too complicated, and there and then conceived the idea to order all the Jews in the Prussian kingdom to adopt "simple" German family names. This royal order became effective on Oct. 1, 1797.

The Hebrew name Nathan means "God's Gift" and is rendered in Greek as "Theodore."

will seek to have their own representative as the third member of such a praesidium. ... All indications point to the fact that the ZOA suggestion that the Congress be held in the United States has no chance of being accepted by the World Zionist Executive. ... The Zionist Laborites, both in this country and in Palestine, are determined to hold the Congress in Palestine and will apparently have their way. ... Don't be surprised if the Zionist Laborites in the United States send the largest delegation to the Congress. ... They are way ahead of the ZOA and other Zionist groups in the sale of shekels. ... Their success is due to the fact that leaders of labor unions are helping them sell shekels to practically every Jewish union members, especially in the needle trades. ...

Police officers throughout the United States are to be given training in race relations. ... Courses are expected to be instituted in the major cities, at the request of local mayors, in order to lessen the danger of race riots. ... Joseph Kluchevsky, a member of the faculty of the National Police Academy of the F. B. I., has been named chief consultant in the new service, which is being provided by the American Council on Race Relations. ... The first course will open in Minneapolis. ... Gerald K. Smith, who was sentenced by a Chicago judge to 60 days imprisonment is now trying to cash in on the incident. ... He has sent out a circular letter seeking funds for his wife since he "thinks" that every day of his life

THE ANTI-SEMITIC FRONT last... Adopting the role of a martyr, he claims that he does not doubt that he is "marked for assassination." ... And speaking of funds, we see that the professional anti-Jewish propagandists are getting more and more funds. ... Rev. Harvey W. Springer of Englewood, Colo., has just announced that he is erecting a \$28,000 printing plant for the publishing of his inflammatory sheet "Western Voice." ... And Rev. Arthur Terminiello, Smith associate and suspended priest, just started a new hate sheet "The Crusader" in Birmingham, Ala. ... In Philadelphia, a new "nationalist" publication, "National Progress," has made its appearance. ... On the other hand we see that D. Hamilton Brackett of Atlanta was defeated when he sought the Democratic nomination for Congress on an outspoken anti-Semitic platform. ...

"Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms in the Charter of the United Nations—A Commentary" by Jacob Robinson, was published this week by the Institute of Jewish Affairs of the American Jewish Congress and the World Jewish Congress.

A second printing of "Letters From the Desert" by Moshe Mosenson, the story of a Palestinian Jewish soldier's poignant meetings with Jewish communities in North Africa which lay on the road of the advance of his units, has been announced by Sharon Books, the Labor Zionist publishing house.

Preparation of a special volume commemorating the war exploits of the 175 Canadian Jewish servicemen decorated in this war has been undertaken by the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Strictly Confidential

By PHINEAS J. BIRON

Undeserved Free Ride

When Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, Primate of Hungary, was recently refused passage to Rome, an American army plane transported him to the Vatican. . . . Now the Cardinal "paid back" our democracy for its generous gesture by demanding that Jews in Hungary be withdrawn from positions in the police and people's court. . . . Mindszenty disgraces the office of Cardinal and the American military commander who gave him a free ride should blush. . . . But does he?

Unusual Diplomat

Jan Galewicz, the new Polish Consul in New York is perhaps America's most interesting member in the Consular Corps. . . . S. L. Schneiderman tells us that this 35-year-old diplomat is one of Europe's most notable underground fighters. . . . He escaped by a split second death in a gas chamber. . . . He lost his wife, his brother and his sisters. . . . His father died before his very eyes during the uprising in the Warsaw Ghetto. . . . His exploits as a guerrilla fighter in Poland read like a Hollywood thriller. He stood on the ramparts of Warsaw. . . . He was a prisoner in Treblinka camps. . . . Handsome and dynamic he is an untiring worker. . . . There is only one thing he can no longer do. . . . And that is to smile.

Victory for Democracy

Congratulations to the Central (Ontario) division of the Canadian Jewish Congress. It achieved a brilliant legal victory when Mr. Justice Keiller Mackay, of the Supreme Court of Ontario, handed down a decision rendering "void and of no effect" a restrictive clause in a land sale . . . covenant which stipulated that the land was "not to be sold to Jews or persons of objectionable nationality." . . . The Canadian Jewish Congress, by permission of the Court became a party in the legal proceedings on behalf of the Jewish community. . . . The C.J.C. fought the case through and won. . . . If you are interested in the case get the book "A Victory For Democracy" published by the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Reader's Guide

"All For Mankind" is the title of Leon Blum's book, written in a Nazi concentration camp. . . . It will be published this fall. . . . Do you know that the Hebrew Union College Library possesses one of the finest collection of editions and translations of the Talmud. . . . It is certainly the finest in this country and includes the earliest and very latest editions of this monumental work. . . . "Le Flambeau" (The Torch) is the name of the French yearly publication of Yeshiva University. . . . Its 1945 issue just out features a moving article by Captain Robert Gamzon on French Jewish Youth during the war. . . . It deserves wide publication in English. . . . Incidentally "Le Flambeau" is, in our opinion, the best edited college publication in America. . . . A representative exhibition of modern artists, among them, Harkavy, Rosenthal, Soyer, Walkowitz, Reiss and Zucker just opened at the Olga Thenen Studio, New York City. . . . Ann Rosen, New York artist, was honored at a tea here when her recently completed portrait of Mrs. Dorothy Cutler, President of the North Shore Council of Jewish Women was exhibited. . . . It is one of a series she is doing on a cross-section of Jewish figures on the American scene. . . . Albert David Butler's poem "In Memoriam" about Nazi victims deserves publication. . . . We will send it to the first editor who requests it.

Personalities

Charlie Chaplin may have to undergo a major operation in the near future. . . . A New York Veteran's group gave a post war award to Shmuke Bernstein, an east side delicatessen owner. . . . Shmuke shipped more than 150,000 salamis to the boys overseas. It is reasonably certain that Rabbi Nathan Perlmutter will be chosen rabbi of Congregation EmanuEl in New York. . . . The Rev. Dr. H. Goldenson will be made Rabbi Emeritus before long. . . . Colonel Backhouse chief prosecutor at the Belsen War Crimes Trial, speaking of Josef Kramer, the "Beast of Belsen" hanged for the murder of tens of thousands of Jews, called him "an extremely nice fellow" and then added "yes an ordinary decent man caught in the Nazi system." . . . We shall not forget the Colonel's standards of decency. . . . Hamilton Fish, Jr., is preparing to regain his seat in Congress. . . . His financial backer is Robert Harris, a New York businessman notorious for his support of Father Coughlin.

BROOKLYN ZIONIST GROUP ADOPTS SUGGESTION OF POST

Special
BROOKLYN—The Hatikvah Zionist Club District 101 of Brooklyn at a special meeting of its Executive Committee resolved to endorse the proposals of The Jewish Post editorial of April 26 in which the editor suggests that every Jewish family should deny itself of at least one meal a week, and the resultant savings should be channeled into the United Jewish Appeal as a money contribution.

The resolution read:
"Whereas our brethren in Europe are suffering the deprivations of food and clothing in an amount that threatens their very existence,
"Whereas the United Jewish Appeal is that agency that is organized to alleviate this condition,
"Whereas we as young Zionists, interested in the survival of our people and deeply affected by all their sufferings,
"Be it hereby resolved that:
"So long as our brethren in Europe have need for the assistance we shall sacrifice, in fast, at least one meal a week, and turn over the money saved to the United Jewish Appeal, so that our brethren may be spared unto that day, when they are all once more upon the soil of their only home . . . Eretz Israel.
"We pledge this for that period of time, that the need exists. And we echo the words of our prophets when we say, 'May our right

AL SEGAL Speaks on OPERATION UNITY

ONLY the other day a Christian gentleman said to me: "You Jews know how to stick together." He was deploring the divisions in his Christian fold and wishing Christians could be as united as he believed the Jews are. When he was a young man he had heard that the Jews were well united and had taken it for granted ever since.

I could have told him: "Oh, my dear sir, you should know the truth about unity among the Jews. We are about as united as a high school debating society.

"Yes, we love to be in opposition. We like to hear our voices declaiming against this and that in our Jewish affairs. Our meetings are oratorical contests in which seldom anybody wins.

"You should be at one of our meetings. Let's say it's a meeting called for the good and welfare of unity in Israel. Nearly everybody present feels called upon to be controversial and give a speech. I'm there but, fortunately, I am tongue-tied when it comes to public speaking.

"Before the meeting is over I am wishing that all Israel were tongue-tied, for the sake of unity I squirm and wonder how I ever let myself get dragged into this. It turns out to be not a meeting for Israel's unity but a dialectic competition.

"MR. MONTGOMERY starts it off, he always does at every Jewish meeting. I remember Mr. Montgomery from way back when he won a prize for an elocutionary effort in our temple Sunday school. My envious parents said to me, Why can't you be a boy like Montgomery? I never won a prize for speaking and my parents could feel sure I had no future in Israel. "Montgomery went on from oratorical flight to flight as his young voice increased. He arrived at the stratosphere in his senior year at the university when he won the gold medal for his oration on "Patagonia: What We Can Do To Improve It." His mouth hasn't been shut since.

"Scarcely has a meeting been called to order than he is on his feet. He would have the floor all evening but for the resistance of all the others who are proud of their own voices and they'll be damned if they'll let Montgomery get away with his.

"At this meeting for the good and welfare of unity in Israel, Mr. Montgomery starts off with a discussion of what unity is. He quotes Webster's dictionary and mentions something that Cicero said about unity. He discovers many shades of unity and discusses it shade by shade. There's at once opposition to Montgomery's idea of unity, and one and another arises with a speech on what unity means.

"It's almost midnight and they're still talking. I should like to get up and shout louder than any of the others: 'Gentlemen, gentlemen, didn't we meet here for the good and welfare of unity in Israel? And what have we got? We have the usual debate. In a democratic society debate is supposed to lead to conclusions. You meet for the good and welfare of unity in Israel but you come out farther apart than ever. Words, among reasonable people, should serve for ultimate cohesion.'

"But, as I told you, I am tongue-tied in pub-

lic meetings. I fall asleep. It's after midnight when I am awakened by the sound of chairs being pushed around; the meeting has broken up.

"I ask did they arrive at unity in Israel? I am told that nothing was decided. Nobody would give in. It was put off to another meeting. The interminable debate must go on. Mr. Montgomery will be at the next meeting to start it off. You see, my dear sir, we are logophiles, word-lovers, that is."

I COULD HAVE TOLD all this to my Christian friend who enviously believes that Jews stick together. I just thanked him for the compliment.

I came to these meditations upon reading an article by Mr. Frank Keil, president of the National Jewish Welfare Board, entitled, "Operation Jewish Unity." It was brought to my attention by Mr. Bernard Postal, the Welfare Board's public relations director. It suggested that, after all, there may be some hope for unity in Israel, considering the way Israel managed to stay most effectively united in the National Jewish Welfare Board all through the war.

In JWB's war work 38 national Jewish organizations were affiliated, to say nothing of 681 Army and Navy local committees that worked along with the Jewish Welfare Board.

The fine success that was achieved suggests that when Israel gets together for action it accomplishes much more than when Israel just trades words. The Jewish Welfare Board recruited, certified and served 311 rabbis as chaplains on all the battlefronts; it kept, for the sake of history, a meticulous record of the part Jews had in the war.

(A half million Jewish soldiers and sailors—the equivalent of 33 divisions—were in it; more than 7,000 Jews died in service, almost 6,000 of them in battle; 15,000 Jewish men and women received 29,004 awards for valor and merit; thousands of Jewish families gave more than three members to the services.)

JWB, as a member of USO, maintained or helped to maintain 196 clubs in the Canal Zone, Hawaii and the Philippines; it is even now operating hospitality centers for Jewish soldiers in France, Belgium, Germany and China; Its women are doing for convalescent soldiers and sailors in the military hospitals; it organized 250,000 Jewish women all over the country for this and other war services; its Jewish Centers all around the country served Jewish soldiers and sailors in every large city.

On account of this happy experience of unity, Mr. Weil is feeling hopeful. He says: "This record of war-inspired cooperation is a healthy portent for the future. That JWB and its 38 constituent and affiliated national Jewish organizations, representing every shade of Jewish thought and opinion, could join forces for war services is proof that, when confronted with an urgent need, American Jewry can and will reconcile its differences and act in concert for the good of Klal Yisroel . . . no longer can we afford the luxury of rival ideologies, organizational chauvinism and petty sectarianism to create roadblocks on the path of cooperative efforts for the best interests and welfare of American and world Jewry."

Partly to celebrate the success of Operation Jewish Unity the National Jewish Welfare Board is having its 29th annual meeting—first since 1942, in Washington, May 4-6.



hand wither' if the falsely compromise with this resolution.

"We call upon the United Jewish Appeal and the Zionist Organization of America to adopt this plan on a nation wide scale, for we are sure that American Jewry will rise to the occasion and assert its right of leadership in world morality.

"We resolve that to do less, is unimaginable and unbefitting our claim to human existence.

"We wish to commend the Editor of the Jewish Post for his aggressive leadership and inspiring recommendations."

Respectfully submitted,
BERTRAM ROSENBERG
Brooklyn Zionist Group

Girl to Make Debut With Boston Symphony

By RUBY ZAGOREN

Jewish Post Staff Correspondent
HARTFORD, Conn. — Barbara Ulin, brilliant young pianist and pupil of Moshe Paranov and Harold Bauer at the Julius Hartt School of Music, Hartford, has been engaged to make her debut as soloist with the Boston Symphony Orchestra on May 12 in Symphony Hall, Boston. She will perform the Mendelssohn Concerto in G Minor with the world famous orchestra.

Miss Ulin also is scheduled to make her Hartford debut in the Hartt Auditorium on May 16. She is the daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. M. B. Ulin, Newton Center, Mass., and began her study of piano at the age of twelve.



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DESERT OUTPOST

HAVE you ever wondered what becomes of the boys and girls Youth Aliyah saves from the terror of Europe and brings to Palestine? After they have been healed and educated, what happens to them? What do they do?

This is a story of fifteen halutzim—most of them Youth Aliyah graduates—and of the new frontier colony they are building in the Negev, the dry wastelands of the Palestinian Southland. It was told by Eliezer Spector, a visitor to the colony, in an article he wrote for the Hadassah Newsletter.

Around the table in their dining hut at Beth Eshel, fifteen young men and women sit at their evening meal. The room is quiet except for the clatter of knives and forks for the young people are tired and hungry after a long hard day's work. Their dining room is a patchwork hut made from pieces of gasoline tins and from boards taken from large packing cases. Two primus cooking stoves hiss loudly as they burn. The table and benches are made of old planks.

When they finish their meal and begin to talk, it is about their daring attempt to establish the settlement of Beth Eshel in the dry land of the Negev.

What they have now is only an observation post. They are coming to know this new land and are experimenting to see what will grow here.

THE NEGEV is mostly flat land with desolate plains stretching as far as the eye can see. No people, no houses, no greenery can be seen except for a camp of Bedouins or a solitary tree that has survived the dry heat and dust.

In the Negev it is very hot or very cold. The summer sun is scorching. The winter winds sweeping unchecked over miles of plainland make the winters unbearably cold. The skies may be cloudless for months. Then suddenly there come fierce rainstorms and even floods.

The settlers welcome heavy

rains in the Spring for that means there will be good crops. If there is little rain, they know there will be little to harvest.

Water is the chief concern of the Negev pioneers. Even in the time of Abraham, the Bible tells us, the settlers in this land prayed for springs of water. At Beth Eshel, a well has been sunk; but it gives only a small amount of water per hour (five cubic meters).

IN SPITE of these handicaps, the young pioneers planted wheat and barley at Beth Eshel. They tended the crops lovingly and without rest. When they harvested the grain, they found they had over 400 pounds per acre. Now they have planted orchards. If faith and hard work are enough, their trees will be heavy with fruit. Their hope however, is to discover some underground water supply or to have a really big irrigation project built.

Today, the pioneers at Beth Eshel work together on all their projects. But when the colony is firmly established, they hope it will be a Moshav. You know that the land is the property of all the Jews through the Jewish National Fund and it is leased to the halutzim. Each settler in a Moshav is given enough land for him and his family to work successfully. No hired labor is permitted. Each settler is started off with the same amount of farm equipment and tools. The plan is for no one to be rich and no one to be poor.

If one farmer has bad luck, the others come to his aid. When the harvest is in, the settlers sell it through one marketing set-up, called a cooperative. When they need materials, they buy together, through another cooperative. In a Moshav, each settler is independent and free to work his land as he sees fit. Yet, in the spots where he needs help, he works together with the rest of the colony.

THEODOR HERZL, during his lifetime, wished to start a Jewish settlement in the Negev when he lost all hope of ever saved.

HEARTY greetings to new members, **MARILYN GOLDBERG**, 71-04 Grand Ave., Maspeth, Long Island, N. Y.; and **MARJORIE NISSENSON**, 2414 Deerfield Road, Far Rockaway, N. Y.

Letter Box

THESE READERS WANT TO WRITE TO PEN PALS

Dear Mrs. Paller,
I am 9½ years old and will be ten June 28. I attend Hibbard School and Temple Beth Israel Sunday School. I have been taking piano lessons for eighteen months and collect stamps. I like to read and my sister Leean, who is six and I have a doll house which we have just completed furnishing. Every Saturday I wait for the mailman to come with the Jewish Post so I can read The Junior Post. I would like to have a Pen Pal.
Yours truly,

obtaining a charter for Palestine itself from the Sultan of Turkey. He sent experts to look over the land and they reported that it would be possible to settle Jews there if surplus water from the Nile river in Egypt could be channeled to the land. Herzl had high hopes for the territory, but his dreams came to nothing. For world politicians, who were against a Jewish settlement, said that Egypt had no water to spare.

Now forty years after Herzl's death, these young boys and girls, whom Youth Aliyah brought to Palestine, are working to make Theodor Herzl's hope come true. Camel caravans still wind through the Negev. But here and there a modern tractor guided by Jewish hands gives promise of a green land.

Earlier pioneers in Palestine found rocky wastes and swamps, and they made garden spots of them. Now these young pioneers, escaped from Europe's concentration camps, are using all their strength and will and intelligence to make new gardens to welcome their Jewish brothers and sisters who are still to be

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ELLEN RAE LESTER it would be nice for us to send funds for our family on our birthday and in honor of happy occasions?

MARILYN GOLDBERG, 71-04 Grand Ave., Long Island, N. Y., age 15, would like to write to a Pen Pal either boy or girl who is interested in these hobbies: love of good music, swimming, and collecting autographs. Marilyn collects autographs of famous opera singers. She would be happy if her pen pal lived in New York City.

MARJORIE NISSENSON, 2414 Deerfield Road, Far Rockaway, N. Y., attends the Jewish Center School of Far Rockaway, where she is in the 7th grade. In her school, the students learn Hebrew as well as English from 9:00 to 3:00. She attends dance club every Thursday at school and also studies the piano. She takes part in many sports and leads a busy life. Your contest entry reached us in time to be judged, Marjorie, but too late to be acknowledged last week.

LYDIA SOKOLOVSKY, 325 W. 93rd St., New York, N. Y. Thanks for correcting the address. Write again.

Our Adopted Family

This letter came from one of our members:

Dear Mrs. Paller:
While we are waiting for a family to be assigned to the Junior Post League, I think we should be sending in money so that we will have something to give our family when we find out about them. You have never told us how much we ought to give or where to send it. Don't you think

A CONSTANT READER
That sounds like a fine idea. All of our readers, children and adults are invited to contribute any amount you desire to the support of a family the Junior Post League is adopting in Europe. We will send a certain amount each month. We are waiting now to hear from the Jewish agency in charge of assigning families to groups who want to support them. We should have full information about our family very soon.

If, in the meantime, you wish to contribute in honor of a happy occasion or just because you want to help, send your contribution to Ruth Paller, Junior Post, 5610 Carrollton Avenue, Indianapolis. Please be sure to enclose your name and address because we want to acknowledge every gift.

Passover Contest Winner

Winner of the Passover Contest with the most correct words made for the letters in **PASS-OVER HAGGADAH** is **Ellen Rae Lester** (Chicago). Your prize is being mailed to you, Ellen. Congratulations.

HONORABLE MENTION

Levi Gordis (Long Island); **Iolet Shapiro** (Indianapolis); **Elaine Goldberg** (Philadelphia); **Gerald Rosenfeld** (Brooklyn); **Leila Hopstein** (Chicago), and **Marjorie Nissenson** (New York), sent in the next longest lists.

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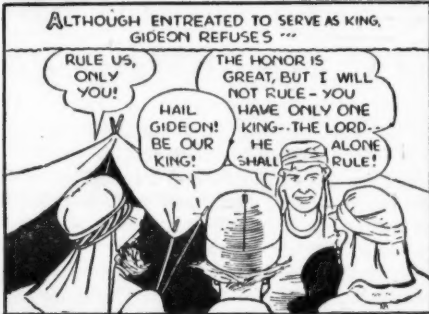
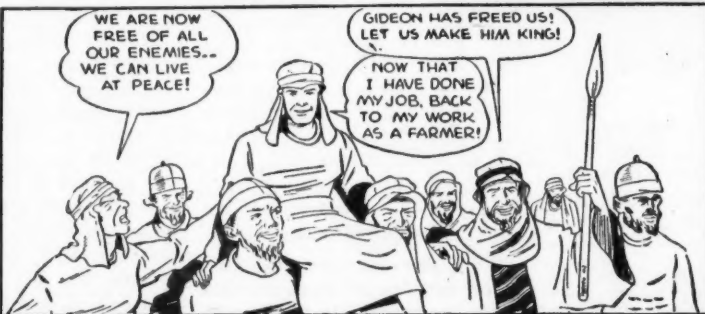
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NEXT WEEK: -THE STORY OF SAMSON

SEES HOPE IN NEW SUPERMAN SERIES; THINKS OTHER SPONSORS WILL FOLLOW

By RUTH PALLER

"Never underestimate the power of a woman," goes the old saying. And when women get together to accomplish an end, there is no stopping them.

Mothers, teachers, and social workers have made up their minds that something must be done about the unwholesome radio programs which infest the air in the late afternoons—these thriller programs to which American children are addicted. They have written, and campaigned, and protested, and now at last, they have made the first dent in the indifference of the sponsors and producers of these programs.

SUPERMAN has found a new enemy. Intolerance. Instead of chasing gangsters, Superman will expose the isms which endanger democracy in America. The publicity releases say that the programs will not be a whit less exciting nor breathtaking.

Coming, as they do, just before the children's dinner, one could wish the programs were less exciting. However, it is understandable that the sponsor will not risk losing the interest of his fans in his effort to please their mothers and teachers.

If this isn't just a temporary sop to quiet our protests—if the producers will use the influence of Superman to wake up American young people to the dangers of intolerance and teach them not to be misled by false propaganda, they will be doing a constructive piece of work.

RADIO PRODUCERS copy one another. All the others will be watching to see if the children respond favorably to this new departure of Superman.

Listen to the program. See if it fulfills its promise. And if it does, have your child write in and say so. It is his reaction that counts first with the producer. Then you write too.

What Foods These Morsels Be

LEAH W. LEONARD

ONE of our devoted readers suggests that we give you a whole menu of recipes at a time, presumably a dinner combination that is well balanced, attractive and seasonal, plus composed of foods on the available list of the day. Let us hear how you like the first attempt. Just a postcard will do if you're too busy to send a letter.

Because of the meat shortage of the moment, fish becomes an excellent second choice. Several varieties of fresh water fish as well as the salt water kind are available. Nutritionists insist that fish be served at least once a week, and I find it good advice. So, here's a well balanced fish dinner, with recipes.

MENU OF THE WEEK

Tomato Juice Cocktail with Crackers
Baked Flounder Rolls*
Browned whole potatoes*
Zippy Beets*
Bread, butter or cream cheese spread
Mixed Greens Salad, French Dressing
Coffee, tea or milk
Orange Coffee Cake*

* Recipes follow.

Baked Flounder Rolls

2 lbs. flounder fillets, ½ teaspoon salt, 2 eggs, 4 tablespoons cracker crumbs or flour, 2 tablespoons vegetable shortening or salad oil.

Sprinkle fish fillets evenly with salt and let stand in a glass covered dish in the refrigerator until ready to use, at least 1 hour. Rinse fish under cold running water and pat dry with paper towel or dish towel. If fillets are large, cut into halves. Dust the cut side of each piece with cracker crumbs and roll up, fastening with two toothpicks. Dip each roll in beaten egg, then in cracker crumbs and place on a well greased baking pan about two inches apart. Store in refrigerator until 40 minutes before serving time.

In the meantime scrub thoroughly small potatoes, boil in water to cover until tender when pierced with a fork or toothpick, adding salt after boiling begins. Three or four small potatoes makes an average portion. Drain, peel and place among the fish rolls to be baked till brown.

Boil well scrubbed fresh beets, allowing two beets per serving. Reserve the tender tops for the greens salad. When beets are tender, drain and rinse with cold water before slipping off the skins. Dice or cut into thin strips and add 1 tablespoon prepared horseradish for each cup of cut beets. Salt to taste, and add brown sugar if desired. A dash of lemon juice adds zest. Keep hot on top of stove.

Orange Coffee Cake

2 cups flour, ½ teaspoon salt, 3 teaspoons baking powder, ¼ cup sugar, 1 tablespoon grated orange peel, ¼ cup shortening, ¾ cup milk or ¾ cup orange juice and ½ cup milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1 well beaten egg.

Sift together dry ingredients and add grated orange peel. Cut in the shortening till the mixture is like coarse crumbs. Combine the remaining ingredients and stir in until dry ingredients are moistened. Turn into a well greased 9-inch square pan, cover with the following topping and bake 30 minutes at 400 degrees F. Cut into 3-inch squares while hot, in pan. Makes nine squares.

Orange Topping is made by blending ½ cup sugar to tablespoons grated orange peel, 1 teaspoon cinnamon and 1 tablespoon butter or vegetable shortening. This cake may be baked before putting in the pan of fish rolls.

Do not bake cake and fish at the same time.

Mixed Greens Salad

Shred into a wooden salad bowl lettuce, celery, green pepper, beet tops, chicory or watercress, parsley—in any proportion desired. Sprinkle lightly with salt and add French Dressing just before serving.

name. Get out your maps of Palestine to help you. A prize will be awarded for the neatest correct answer:

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Rules

1. All entrants must be members of the League, so send in your application at once if you have not already joined.
2. Each entry must be headed with the name, address and age of the contestant.
3. All entries must be received

on or before May 30.
Best of luck!

To Join the League

Fill in the membership application form and mail it to Ruth Paller, 5610 Carrollton Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. When we receive your application, we will send you a handsome certificate enrolling you into the League. But don't wait for your certificate before entering the contests. As soon as you have mailed your application, you are entitled to take part in all League activities.



As Non-Jewish Women Hear About Judaism at Institute

Temple Emanu-El, New York, was the scene of the first Institute on Judaism sponsored by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods as a part of a new national program undertaken by its Committee on Interfaith Activities under the chairmanship of Mrs. Louis I. Egelson of Cincinnati. The first Institute, held in cooperation with the New York Council of Church Women, attracted five hundred women. Similar Institutes will be held in other communities in which the National Federation, an affiliate of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, has a Sisterhood. (Upper left) Sponsors of the New York Institute were (left to right): Mrs. Frederick L. Fagley, chairman of the Committee on Christian Fellowship of the New York Council of Church Women; Mrs. Louis I. Egelson, and Mrs. Earl B. Breeding, president of the New York Council of Church Women. (Lower left) Lecturers at the Institute were (left to right): Rabbi Max Reichler, Temple Beth Sholem, N. Y.; Rabbi Nathan A. Perilman, Temple Emanu-El, N. Y.; Dr. Robert W. Searle, secretary of the Greater New York Federation of Churches; Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman, Congregation Beth Israel, Hartford, Conn.; and Rabbi Bernard J. Bamberger, West End Synagogue, N. Y. (Right) View of the audience shows Dr. Feldman, speaking.

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Mountain Scramble

Here is a new contest for everyone. Below are the names of six mountains in Palestine. In their present state, they do not mean anything. See if you can unscramble the letters of each

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Our Film Folks of HOLLYWOOD

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By LEON GUTTERMAN

HOLLYWOOD

WHEN 20th Century-Fox Studio signed Georgie Jessel as a producer, Hollywood raised surprised eyebrows. Somehow, Hollywood had never thought of funnyman Jessel as a high-powered movie producer. But that was Hollywood's fault—not Georgie's. After all, he had a background of thirty-five years of varied experience in the fine art of entertainment.

Starting as a boy singer, with a sideline talent for mimicry and witty monologues, he became famous first as a comedian. Later he was to win acclaim as a sensitive, serious actor. He also became a noted master-of-ceremonies, and an even more noted after-dinner speaker. Audiences learned about him, and he learned about audiences—in person, in pictures and via the radio. Not only had he been a star, but he had written shows, cast them, budgeted them, staged them. He could also claim authorship of countless successful skits, numerous song hit, several dramatic short stories, a few Broadway plays and a best-selling autobiography, "So Help Me."

WHEN I DROPPED IN on Georgie Jessel the other day, I found him sitting behind a magnificent hand-carved antique desk with scripts, sketches, contracts, photographs, musical scores, letters, telegrams and what not piled high. With a big fat cigar stuck between his teeth and working amidst the luxurious surroundings of a motion picture studio producer's office, he looked very important and serious. But not for long. The moment I stepped into his office he dropped everything, turned on a big grin and requested his secretary to hold all phone calls and visitors until the press had been well taken care of. That's Georgie's way of doing things.

"Whatever made you become a movie producer?" I asked.

"One day in New York," said George, "I found myself riding in an elevator with Joe Schenck, executive production head of 20th Century-Fox. I said, in effect, 'Joe, some day I'd like to produce pictures at your studio.' Schenck answered, in effect, 'George, it's a deal—as soon as you finish your show.'"

SO GEORGE JESSEL, producer, began his 20th Century-Fox contract by preparing "The Dolly Sisters," musical film biography of the famous song-and-dance team whose greatest success was contemporary with his own early years in show business. When it went into production in January, 1945, it was destined to be the most ambitious musical ever undertaken by 20th Century-Fox—an auspicious beginning for Georgie's career as a movie producer. When the film was completed and released throughout the country, it proved simply, quickly and easily that George Jessel was truly destined to become one of Hollywood's most successful box-office producers. The critics loved the picture and the public ate it up. And the studio earned a fortune with its release. Nothing could be finer for Georgie.

Now comes his latest, "Do You Love Me," and scheduled to follow in quick succession are "Hello, My Baby" (the musical story of Joe Howard), "The Life of Sol Hurok" (the famous impresario and artist's manager) and "The Life of O. Henry." The total budget of the pictures have been set at approximately ten million dollars!

AND WHAT do you think he's doing in the meantime, in his spare moments? "I'm writing books," he says. "I've just finished 'Hello, Momma,' soon to be published by the World Publishing Company, and I'm in the middle of writing a novel, 'Sunless Summer.' Of course he has a few other things to do while he's busy writing. Such things as personal appearances at the White House, dinners given in honor of the country's most famous men and women, radio guest appearances, transcribed programs, songs to write, meetings to attend, conferences to speak at, benefits to play. "But it's all in a day's work," he says, "and I'm not married to my business."

It has been said that George Jessel knows more famous people than any other man in the country. I found proof of this when I saw the walls of his office—walls lined with autographed photos (he's in most of them) and other mementoes of his world-famous friends, in show business and out. Personal letters and pictures from Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry Truman—kings and queens, dukes and duchesses, presidents and diplomats, rabbis and cardinals, film stars, producers, directors, writers, tycoons and industrialists—he's known them all, and many of them, intimately.

BEGINNING with "The Jazz Singer" (which he created on Broadway and starred in for three years), he became deeply interested in religious books, and today has probably the largest collection of such books of any layman in the United States—and he's read them! They line the walls of the library in the house he recently purchased in Beverly Hills.

But George can't forget his early years—yes, they often come back to him with glowingly wonderful memories. Memories such as the time after his father's death when he and his mother went to live with her parents. Grandpa Schwartz was a tailor, who added to a meagre income by pressing pants while customers waited. To divert impatient customers, he asked young George to sing for them. One night, Grandpa Schwartz did more; he took the boy to a lodge meeting with him and had him sing there.

GEORGIE NEEDED no further encouragement. From the meeting he went straight to the Imperial Theatre, on 116th Street off Lenox Avenue, to try to get a job as a singer. In those days, every city movie theatre had "intermission singers," who sang to the accompaniment of illustrated slides flashed on the screen. As it happened, the manager had just hired two other boy singers, but he liked George's voice and decided that the three could sing together—as the Imperial Trio. The other two were Walter Winchell and Jack Wiener, now a Hollywood film agent. Because the law forbade children under sixteen to appear on the stage, they sang in the orchestra pit, for twelve dollars a week.

To cut expenses, the manager fired the trio, but kept George on to sing solo, and put a sign out in front: "It's worth five cents alone to hear little George Jessel sing." Nearly thirty years later, Walter Winchell wrote: "And it still goes!"

SGT. STAYS IN EUROPE YEAR TO ADOPT 3-YEAR-OLD ORPHAN, FINALLY WINS HER



New York Sergeant and 'Daughter'

Sgt. Bert Simons is shown in Berlin with 3-year-old Bella Raphael, for whom he has been awarded the first visa to admit a displaced person into the U. S. Simons took the youngster as a result of a pledge that if he came out of the Battle of the Bulge unharmed he would adopt a Jewish orphan when he got to Berlin. Bella's parents were killed by the Gestapo.

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NEW YORK—The announcement this week that the first visa granted by the U. S. Consul at Berlin went to a three-year-old Jewish orphaned girl brought happiness to a 36-year-old New York sergeant and his wife.

Last October, Sgt. Bert Simons of the 103rd Infantry Division visited a Berlin Jewish orphanage. A small child ran up to him with outstretched arms and a smile on her lips. On the spot Sgt. Simons decided to adopt little Bella. But he reckoned without the Army and official red tape.

In order to adopt the child he had to remain in Germany for six months after he had completed his overseas tour of duty. During the time of arranging the adoption, Sergeant Simons twice had to get a three-month overstay in Germany. Once Bella was transferred from the orphanage to an UNRRA camp at Bergen-Belsen in the British zone. Sergeant Simons went there, was refused permission to see her. So he kidnaped her and returned her to Berlin.

His commanding officer forgave him and arranged to have him made Bella's official warden. Bella, who is thirty-two inches tall and weighs thirty-four pounds, has gained ten pounds since she met her new father.

With the granting of Bella's visa, both the child and her new father are free to come home. It is expected that both will be home within three months.

In Brooklyn, Mrs. Jeanne Simons received the good news with enthusiasm. "I just can't wait for her to get here," Mrs. Simons said. "I wish she and Bert could come on the same boat, but I suppose that's too much to expect. I'm not getting any clothes for her in advance. It'll be such fun to take her shopping with me. She's a wonderful child. Bert said she responds to everything. She's even learning English. She's cute as a button." Mrs. Simons kept showing a cable from her husband. It read: "Darling, you have just become a mother. Father and daughter doing well."

400 Prepare To Leave For U. S.

BERLIN—Four hundred displaced Jews from the Stuttgart area left this week for Bremen, where they will embark for the United States. They will be among the first group of Jewish survivors to be admitted to the United States under President Truman's recent directive.

An UNRRA camp has been established near Stuttgart to house prospective immigrants. During the two weeks they spend at the camp their political and moral background will be carefully investigated, it is reported here.

Rabbi Cohen on Mutual Series

NEW YORK—Rabbi Mortimer Cohen of Philadelphia, will be the Friday guest speaker May 3, 10, 17 and 24, on the MBS Mondays through Fridays religious series, "Faith in Our Time," from 10:15 to 10:30 a.m., EDT. Rabbi Cohen has been Rabbi of Congregation Beth Shalom for the past 27 years. He is a graduate of the City College of New York and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Mrs. Joseph M. Welt, President of the National Council of Jewish Women, presided at the Housing Session of the Conference on Unfinished Business in Social Legislation, held May 1 in Washington, D. C.

Yesterday and Today In

THE LIVES OF FAMOUS FOLK



PAULETTE GODDARD started her stage career sitting in a paper moon and having herself sung to in a Broadway musical. The moon finally gave way to a star, and Movie Queen Goddard wrote another chapter to the Cinderella epic. Her birth dates have been given as 1905, 1911 and 1914. Paulette says it was June 3, 1915. Her parents separated when she was very young and Paulette and her mother moved frequently, so that she got her education in quick doses at numerous schools. Even in grammar school, Paulette wanted to be an actress and persuaded her mother to give her lessons in dramatics, dancing and singing. When she was 14, Florenz Ziegfeld visited her uncle in Great Neck, L. I., and Paulette saw to it that she was there. Ziegfeld put her in "Rio Rita," as the girl in the moon, without a line to speak. After one more show, Paulette married Edward James, a southern lumber executive, and moved to Asheville, N. C., but was divorced a year later. Then came a trip to Europe, after which



she headed for Hollywood, got a contract with Hal Roach, but in her first movie "part" only her shapely legs showed. Her face wasn't seen until Eddie Cantor's "Kid From Spain." Meanwhile, riding around in flashy automobiles, Paulette was building up a reputation as a "mystery" woman. Her real break came when Charles Chaplin, to whom she was secretly married at an undivulged date, chose her for the beautiful girl in "Modern Times." When the movie was finished, Paulette took a vacation trip to the Orient, and started a "post card campaign" to Cecil B. DeMille, whom she had never met, asking when he would have a picture for her. This "crust" intrigued DeMille, who eventually gave her the role of Louvette, the half-breed siren in "North West Mounted Police," which established her as an actress. Today she is one of the most successful U. S. movie actresses; has been a frequent visitor to the White House. In 1944 she married Actor Burgess Meredith.

Jews in Sports

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By HASKELL COHEN



IT'S too bad Blanche Schachter isn't a male. If she were, Leo Durocher's catching problems on the Dodgers would be solved. You see, Blanche is the receiver for the Greenwold Jewels of the American Softball League, just about the finest girls' softball club in the East.

An all-around athlete when she attended Hunter College, Blanche plays every position on the diamond. She joined the Jewels a few seasons back and has proved one of the mainstays ever since. The Jewels, incidentally, are a cosmopolitan outfit composed of girls representing fourteen nationalities. Blanche is the only Jewish girl on the squad. The team is coached and managed by Mike Strauss of the New York Times sports staff.

Mike devotes every minute of his spare time to his girls and today is in a position to challenge any amateur girls' softball team in the country. Mike is very high on his catcher Miss Schachter and particularly admires her courage.

LAST SUMMER as the season reached the final month the Jewels found themselves without their backstop. Blanche suffered a wrenched knee in one of the last games. The club doctor told her she was through for the season. After hobbling to the next four Jewel games, Blanche told Mike Strauss, "I'm ready to play, Mike." Mike laughed at her and told her to forget softball for the rest of the year. After the fifth game, Blanche again pleaded with Strauss. Seeing that the girl was determined to rejoin her mates, Mike agreed to let her get into the lineup again.

The game picked for her return wasn't an easy one. The Greenwold girls were playing the league-leading Linden, N. J., Airians at Miller Stadium in West New York, N. J. The score was tied at 1-1 going into the visitors half of the sixth inning. When Blanche stepped to the plate, two mates were on base. A line drive to left field brought across the winning tally.

Strauss claims that Miss Schachter is just about the most versatile girl athlete he has ever seen. She came to the Jewels originally as a pitcher-third baseman. In self defense, Strauss was forced to put her behind the plate. "She has an amazing amount of stuff," Mike explains. "Our catchers couldn't hold her. It wasn't so much her speed as it was the way she pulled the string. Frankly, her change of pace hurling is as good as any I have seen in the majors."

LAST YEAR, the Greenwold club was invited to play the Camp Upton WAC team. A crowd of 1,800 Purple Heart men looked on as the Jewels shellacked the WACs. Blanche played one inning at every position. In the ninth she entered the pitcher's box. Tossing right handed she struck out the first two batters on six straight strikes. Then to the amazement of the spectators she switched her glove from left hand to the right mitt and proceeded to pitch from the portside. Before the WAC at bat realized it Blanche had two strikes on her. Finally the Army girl grounded weakly to shortstop.

Last week the Greenwold Jewels looked on as the famous Bushwick nine played a strong Pennsylvania club. Before the game Blanche walked up to Mike Strauss and dropped a fair-sized package into his hand. Mike opened the box and found a heaping platter of potato latkes. It was a middle day of Passover and Blanche, a member of an Orthodox Jewish family, thought it might be a good idea to have some refreshments along. Strauss had been begging her for Jewish food for quite some time. The Jewels, you can very well imagine, made a curious sight sitting in the stands munching latkes.

Strauss brings the girls to all the Bushwick games so that they can watch experts at work. The girls learn inside baseball this way and in addition pick up pointers on how to play their positions. Blanche has worked out with the Bushwick's in fielding practice and has not been shamed by these semi-pro kings.

MISS SCHACTER is a physical teacher in the Brooklyn school system. Strauss advises that she is a keen baseball student and whispers furtively that the Giants are her number one team. Mel Ott is her particular favorite. How she ever gets away with this heresy living in Brooklyn is hard to discern.

The Jewels play their home games in Cedarhurst, L. I., and have an enthusiastic following. They average a thousand fans every game. The spectators are so loyal that they follow the lassies every place they play. During the height of the gas and tire shortage 65 cars managed to make a road trip to see the girls play in upstate Newburgh. Perhaps it wasn't the patriotic thing to do but there's something unusual in this type of fan loyalty. After the game that Blanche won in West New York, N. J., against the Linden girls, the fans rushed back to Long Island and helped arrange an impromptu dinner for the team. The affair was held that same night in one of the finest eating spots on the island.

As the new softball season gets underway the Jewels loom as co-favorites for the American Softball League gonfalon. Miss Schachter is being counted upon for yeoman duty and if she hits .260, Mike Strauss exclaims, "We'll be the babies to beat."

Gets Plaque For Aiding Wounded Servicemen

Special

PHILADELPHIA—As a reward for untiring efforts in behalf of wounded servicemen Mayor Bernard Samuel of Philadelphia presented a plaque to Mark Abrahams, vice-president of the Hospital Entertainment Canteen for his work in providing

entertainment and recreation to servicemen in hospitals in the Philadelphia area. At the ceremony were Francis T. Murray, executive director of the Philadelphia Inquirer Charities which made the award; Capt. Howard H. Montgomery, commandant of the Philadelphia Naval Hospital; and Brig. Gen. W. W. Vaughan, commanding officer of the Valley Forge General Hospital.



Batter Up!



Behind the Bat



On the Mound

Jewish Girl Star Plays All 9 Positions

Shorts

MARY FELDERMAN, young catcher, has been optioned to the Milwaukee Brewers of the American Association by the Chicago Cubs. Felderman was recently discharged from service.

Jack Lowenstein, Peoria, Ill., sank a hole in one during a recent golf match, but that's not the odd part of the story. The ball went into the cup on Hole No. 12, a 155 foot drive, on the fly. That's accuracy. He was so excited, he didn't finish the round.

Chuck Goldstein's Von Steuben High baseball team got off to a good starting, winning its first four games Bob Ruttenberg, a freshman pitcher; Mel Silver, fancy fielding first baseman; and Arnie Brin, a catcher, are among the spark plugs of the team.

Harold Green, Brooklyn welterweight, will get \$6,500 or a privilege on the percentage in his return bout with Ex-Sailor Sammy Secret of Pittsburgh, on May 13 in Cleveland. The two boxers staged a great bout in their recent meeting, which marked Green's first bout since being suspended by the New York Boxing commission for starting a riot following his knockout by Rocky Graziano.

Outfielder Morris Arnovich has been optioned to Jersey City by the New York Giants.

WEINBERG MAY GET PRELIM TO LOUIS-CONN BOUT

By HARRY CUSHING

Jewish Post Staff Correspondent

BOSTON, Mass.—Big Bill Weinberg, Chelsea's rough housing heavyweight, is expected to be rewarded with a New York bout, probably a semi-final to the Joe Louis-Billy Conn heavyweight championship June 19 as a result of his victory over Dan Merritt of Cleveland, here this week. Weinberg was recently discharged from the

Jewish Welter Dies From Boxing Injuries

Special

WILKES BARRE, Pa.—Harvey (Twin) Weiss, 22-year-old Jewish welterweight from New York City, died here on April 26 from a cerebral hemorrhage suffered in a bout with Patsy Gall of Freeland, Pa. He collapsed after losing a decision to Gall. A brother, who accompanied Harvey from New York for the fight, was with him when he died.

Rabbi Hinchin Takes Post

Special

DOTHAN, Ala.—Rabbi Martin I. Hinchin has been elected spiritual leader of Congregation Emanu-El here. Rabbi Hinchin,

JEWISH PITCHER ON ILLINOIS NINE SEEN AS COMING STAR

Special

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.—The University of Illinois baseball team roster includes four Jewish players, Marvin Rotblatt, Marvin Leib and Stanley Feldman of Chicago and Silvan Levinson of Wood River, Ill. Rotblatt and Feldman are pitchers, Leib a first baseman and Levinson a catcher. In a recent game at Columbus, O., against Ohio State, Rotblatt pitched six innings with-

out allowing a hit, a walk or any opponent to reach base. He retired 18 in a row before allowing his first hit. A southpaw, he's 18 years old, attended Senn High in Chicago and is playing his second year with the Illinois team. Last season he was out most of the time with a hand injury, but returned in time to close the season with a masterful exhibition against Purdue who he allowed 3 hits and fanned 16.

Rosen, Sold to Giants, Helps Beat Dodgers

Special

NEW YORK — Outfielder Goody Rosen, one of the mainstays of the 1945 Brooklyn Dodgers has been sold to the New York Giants. Rosen, 32, batted .325 last season, his best ever in the majors.

Rosen made an auspicious start Sunday in helping the Giants hand his former mates a double loss. Goody had five for seven, including a three-run homer.

Feldman Jumps To Mexican League

Special

NEW YORK—Harry Feldman, New York Giants pitcher, became the 11th member of the Mel Ott managed team to jump to the Mexican league.

Basketball Star Joins J. W. V.

Special

JERSEY CITY, N. J.—Morris "Moe" Dubilier, basketball star with John Marshall College and later a mainstay of the Celtic and the Forth Monmouth service quintet, this week became a member of the Lt. Robert P. Grover Post No. 377, Jewish War Veterans here.

May Divide Bowling Tourney Into Sectionals

Special

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—At the National B'nai B'rith Bowling Association's first meeting here since the recent tournament the possibility of dividing the tournament into sectionals instead of having it in one city as in all previous tournaments was discussed.

The Association is growing rapidly and is getting too large for a week-end affair.

A five-man committee designated by President Ben Balber of St. Louis will meet in Cleveland, O., May 25-26 to discuss the regional set-up. On this committee will be Sid Davidoff of St. Louis; Ben Tolpen, Columbus; Al Weingarden, Cleveland; Lester Braude, Chicago, and Irv Aronoff, Cincinnati.

Baltimore Bullets Beats Sphas for Title

Special

PHILADELPHIA — Reds Rosan's Baltimore Bullets won the American Pro League basketball championship by defeating the Philadelphia Sphas in three of the four playoff games. The Sphas had taken the first game and dropped the next three to the team that had beaten them out for first place in the league.

This is the first crown for the Bullets in two years of league competition. Last year they were runner-up to the Sphas.

Loss of Ozzie Scheckman and Irv Davis because of illness hampered the Sphas in the final game.

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who will be ordained in June, will also act as Director of the Southeast Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.



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Friday, May 3, 1946

The Editor's Chair.

My good friend Rabbi Liebman is a very subtle fellow and a smart rabbi, if you ask me. He knows his psychology as many before me could testify. Remember the item I had about the ads in The New York Times not mentioning that the author of "Peace of Mind" was a Jew or a Rabbi, and not quoting from reviews by any Jews either. Some persons I know would have taken pen in hand and written a scathing diatribe at my small mind for trying to look for ulterior motives. But not Rabbi Liebman.

In the mail this week I received a copy of the book, inscribed with a very warm greeting from Rabbi Liebman to me personally, and there on the jacket were quotations among others from Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, and Rabbi Milton Steinberg. The back of the jacket tells about Rabbi Liebman, and, of course, is complete, so that there is no attempt at all to hide his identity as a Rabbi. Whether the publishers had any motive of that sort in mind when no mention was made in the ads of the fact he was a rabbi is another question which, of course, I can't settle.

Not everyone was enthusiastic about Ruth Seid's "Wasteland," as indicated by the letter below from the bulletin of Rabbi Rudolph Rosenthal's Temple on the Heights, Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Rosenthal:

Let me commend you for the forthright attack on "Wasteland." The book presents a distorted purely fictional picture of Jewish family life—a picture calculated to bring the Jew into disrepute. The book has nothing whatsoever to commend it—neither literary excellence, no plot or anything. Harpers judges must have been suffering from literary astigmatism when they reached their decision.

Very sincerely yours,
ALFRED A. BENESCH.
Board of Education

I have a note from Rabbi Irving F. Reichert of San Francisco, whose recent speech we printed in our issue of April 19, in which he writes that we inadvertently omitted his last paragraph, which is herewith given:

"We Jews are an old people. We are a religious people—the people of the Book. Again and again has our metal been tested in the fires of man's fierce inhumanity and our resistance forged on the anvil of world crisis. We know that the ultimate solution of our destiny is in the hands of God. We know

that the world needs us most when it hates us most; that our problem is part of the world's problem; that our day of healing will dawn only when the ills that afflict the soul of humanity are cured. To hasten that day is our prayer, our effort and our hope."

I have the following short note from Jack Fishbein, co-publisher of The Sentinel of Chicago.

My attention has been called to an error in your front page article of last week concerning the anti-bias law being introduced in the City Council. In listing the organizations which testified at the hearings, your correspondent failed to mention the testimony of yours truly on behalf of The Sentinel. I know that this was not a deliberate attempt on your part to play down the contribution of our paper and expect that you will correct the error in next week's issue.

Sincerely yours,

JACK FISHBEIN.

I am indeed sorry that our correspondent failed to mention Jack's testimony and I want to urge our correspondents wherever possible to give credit to their local Anglo-Jewish paper. When I was trying to organize the Anglo-Jewish publishers into an association I continually stressed the point that if the publishers do not accord one another proper recognition in their column, then how can other Jewish leaders be expected to know and appreciate what they're doing.

For instance, except for this paper, as far as I know, no Jewish news agency or no other Anglo-Jewish paper has given credit to The Jewish Examiner of Brooklyn for raising over \$13,000 through its column for a Jewish G. I. named Masor who lost both legs and one arm in the war. Yet this is one of the finest achievements of any Jewish paper.

While I'm at it I want to pay my tribute to The Sentinel's clear understanding in its editorial policy that the fight of the Jews and the Negro and other minorities is all one and the same and that only by a cooperative campaign will justice be won most quickly for all concerned. In our younger days The Post used to swing as wildly and belligerently as does The Sentinel today, and I don't know whether our growing sense of responsibility has made our editorial page better or worse.

Now that Zionist officials like Louis Lipsky, Mrs. Epstein, and Rabbi Heller have participated in public debates with anti-Zionists on Zionism, the mistake of the Zionist ruling that Zionism, like Democracy, was no longer debatable and therefore no Zionist should debate with an anti-Zionist becomes apparent. To refuse to debate was bound to be interpreted as an admission of weakness and played directly into the hands of the anti-Zionists. This paper fought against the ruling, but nowhere else was any voice raised against it. However, The Post is not interested in this observation, but merely wishes to point out that a healthy Zionist movement requires criticism as does any other movement and that Zionism is ill served by cracking the party whip and issuing the overall order of "discipline" because someone takes exception to what is being done or planned.

SERMON OF THE WEEK

"But, Rabbi, I'm Proud I'm a Jew!"—Rabbi H. E. Snyder at Brith Shalom Temple, Springfield, Ia.

Youth Speaks Out Bluntly Mr. Monsky

YOUTH has a way in its blunt boldness of speaking truths which adults because of their attention to the niceties of conventional society often are afraid to voice. So it is with a report by Gerald Handel, one of the editors of The Student Zionist in the current issue of that publication of the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America. The report is on the recent third session of The American Jewish Conference.

The report is printed herewith almost in full, but just to bring it up to date from a news standpoint, what has happened to the implementation of that resolution on the future of the Conference? Appointment of the committee was authorized at a recent Interim committee meeting, but no announcement has been made of its composition or its activities. The Post this week was in receipt of several news releases of the recent meeting both of the Interim Committee of the Conference and of its Executive, and therein are listed the appointment of several committees, but nowhere was there to be found the appointment of this committee whose birth consumed almost all of the time at the third session.

Herewith is the article in question:

There was nothing historic about the Third Session of the American Jewish Conference. There was little to distinguish it from the generality of Jewish gatherings. Its most prominent characteristic was the painfully usual parade of speakers who are on the program not so much because of what they have to say as because of who they are. The featured speaker of the Conference was to have been Dr. Zalman Grinberg, President of The Central Committee of Liberated Jews of Bavaria, flown especially from Europe to address the delegates. And his address could have been a profoundly moving account of the attitudes and sentiments of European Jewry. But his talk was an anticlimax, Stephen Wise's comments to the contrary notwithstanding, because no less than half a dozen preceding speakers dealt with the same matters, dealt with them in laborious fashion, casting no new light on old matters, but each feeling he had the right to register his individual wrath. Of all the speakers, only the man of letters Louis Lipsky succeeded in striking the core of contemporary Jewish tragedy. His prophet-like catalogue of United Nations sin, a paragraph in which every one of thirteen sentences began, "It is since Hitler fell . . ." rang out like the toll of Judgment Day. That paragraph would have sufficed for all the three-day profusion of oratory in which it was dissolved.

The delegates, drowned in the ceaseless flow of words from the platform, could not possibly have established contact with Jewish reality. No human being can respond to a stimulus so unrelentingly administered as six or seven recountings of the Jewish plight in a space of two days. And it is not to be wondered at, therefore, if the delegates, having been orated into a state of insensibility, gave almost no evidence of life. The atmosphere of almost the entire three-day session was one of dull, clock-like regularity, people seemingly believing that they were proceeding with business of great moment but registering only the mock-solemnity of automatons. . . .

But what indications of boldness did our leadership display? The greatest single issue before this Cleveland Session was the future of the Conference. When Henry Monsky, President of B'nai B'rith, invited other Jewish leaders to a meeting in Pittsburgh in January, 1943, for the purpose of convening an American Jewish Assembly (the name was later changed to American Jewish Conference), he made it plain that B'nai B'rith's participation was contingent upon the specific exclusion of the problems of American Jewry from the scope of activities of the Conference. This was to be an American Jewish Conference for European Jews. Since that Pittsburgh meeting, sentiment of the Jewish community for a permanent democratic Jewish organization to be concerned with the totality of Jewish life has gathered strength from day to day. This was faintly felt at the First Session in New York in September, 1943,

omy knew all this. But acknowledging reality meant changing comfortable habits, a painful process. And so they sidestepped their opportunity. It was interesting to watch the "little men" clash with their leaders. The trumpet call to battle was sounded by Rabbi Maurice N. Elsendrath, Director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, chairman of the opening plenary session, and Ezra Shapiro, president of the Jewish Community Council of Cleveland, both of whom found themselves in the role of umpire. Henry Monsky sat staring straight ahead while the delegates applauded their references to a permanent democratic Jewish organization. And when Monsky himself took the floor, the man who had the vision to invite Jewish leaders to unite in creating a Conference to deal with the problems of those other Jews had this to offer, "If there is a spirit of good-will among delegates to bring about the machinery, it may be possible, if the functions are properly circumscribed so as not to do more harm than good." He then referred mysteriously to negotiations going on in one of the hotel rooms upstairs among leaders of the various blocs. Translated into plain English was more insistent at the Second Session in Pittsburgh in December, 1944, and became important at the Third Session in Cleveland in February, 1946. In inverse proportion to this sentiment went Jewish fortunes the world over. Now with the end of the war, only one major Jewish community outside of Palestine emerged unscathed, that in the United States. Intact, it alone of the diaspora communities is in a position to build a dynamic Jewish life, to create a Jewish community that will generate a centripetal force among Jews, and—not incidentally—that will enable it to muster a good deal more strength for the assistance of European Jewry.

The leaders of the various national organizations which enjoy a disastrous kind of autonomy said, "If B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League is permitted to go about its business, we in B'nai B'rith might consider joining a permanent Jewish representative body." Then, in an offhand manner, he remarked that, of course, it might take ten or fifteen years to create such an organization. His tone indicated that he wasn't too perturbed over the prospect.

The result of those mysterious negotiations was made public at the session devoted to organization. The Committee reported out a resolution "instructing the Interim Committee to explore the possibilities of establishing a permanent democratic Jewish organization." And for the only time in the course of the Third Session the delegates came to life. They proposed amendment after amendment, varying from making this American Jewish Conference the new permanent organization on the spot, to putting teeth into the proposed resolution by requiring the Interim Committee to have a report ready by the time the Fourth Session convened no later than fifteen months from the Third. All the amendments were defeated as the result of pleas from the platform that the delegates were in danger of destroying the delicate balance achieved by the painstaking negotiations.

And then came the most stirring moment of the entire session. Dr. James G. Heller, former president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, and former national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, delivered a dramatic denunciation of the proposed methods for creating a permanent Assembly, and finished by declaring, "The Conference has faltered upon the prerogatives of the national organizations."

But, seemingly vision is only evoked by crisis. And American Jewry, presumably, is not yet in so precarious a state as to insure vision in its leaders. This was a time for boldness, not faltering, this the time for our leaders to meet the problems of our Jewish community in a "bolder and more constructive way." But prerogatives take priority over foresight and we falter while yet hailing our achievements—until jolted by a harsher, less pliant reality.

Current Comment

Jewish Hospital in Chicago Should Admit A Negro Intern Says Rabbi G. George Fox in **The Sentinel**—The condition of the Negro Student who wishes to study medicine, is infinitely worse than ours. He can hardly get into either a school or a hospital. Only a trickle of colored boys are admitted into medical schools, but there are some.

We now propose something which ought to appeal to every right-minded Jew. We have two great hospitals in Chicago. "We Jews know," as Julius Rosenwald used to say, "the bitterness and the injustice of prejudice." We propose that one of the Jewish hospitals, at

least for the present, open its doors to a Negro interne. We propose that we live up to the liberalism most of us profess! We propose that in this area of good-will, we prove to the world that the Jew indeed, believes in the Fatherhood of God and in the Brotherhood of man—regardless of color.

We know that there are some Jews who will shudder at this suggestion—but we know that there are some gentiles that shudder at the suggestion that Jews be admitted to their club, or live in apartments in their buildings. Think it over!

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AGREES WITH RABBI OPHER, DEPLORES ENCROACHMENT OF SECULAR BODIES

Editor, The Jewish Post,

The resignation of Rabbi Ahron Opher as assistant to the director of the Synagogue Council should bring the threatened paralysis of Jewish religious life in America into sharp focus.

As a Rabbi, I have become a bit weary of all the secular organizations in Jewish life, which demand that the synagogue give them help, but do nothing to encourage the synagogue. Lately, I have refused the requests of the B'nai B'rith, both adult and youth groups, the Council of Jewish Women, the Zionist Organization, the American Council for Judaism, and sundry organizations for a special Friday evening service to be conducted either by their membership, or dedicated by me to them. When one of these and similar organizations would want to use the synagogue to further their own ends, their representatives look at me with an uncomprehending stare when I say to them, "If I dedicate a Friday evening to your organization, when will your organization reciprocate by dedicating one of your meetings to the Temple, or any synagogue?" It is tragic that National Jewish Book Week should have been promoted under the auspices of the Jewish Welfare Board, and not a religious organization. It is pitiful that the announced organization last week of an association for Jewish Liturgical Music should be under the auspices of the J.W.B. and not a synagogue group. If liturgical music does not belong in a synagogue, what then does?

The octopi in Jewish life are out to get a stranglehold on all phases of Jewish life. Rabbi Opher's resignation spotlights the danger.

One of the dangers, of course, is that organizations founded

specifically for a certain purpose, refuse to acknowledge that their usefulness is limited, or even ended, and attempt to branch out. I know for instance, that in the Rogers Park district of Chicago, a B'nai B'rith Lodge had the audacity to ask the neighborhood Rabbi, whose congregation was struggling through the depression, to help organize in a hall a special service for the High Holy Days under B'nai B'rith auspices. Since when is B'nai B'rith such an exclusive club that it cannot worship with others?

The J.W.B., for instance, was organized in the last war for the specific purpose of caring for Jewish servicemen. When the war was over, the J.W.B., with vast amounts at its disposal, perpetuated itself by encouraging the secular Jewish Center, and Y.M.H.A.'s in our communities, at the expense of synagogal growth. And now at the close of World War II, the J.W.B. finds itself such a tremendous organization, it would be preposterous to think that it will voluntarily acknowledge that its job is done. Instead, we may expect the J.W.B. to intensify its efforts to remain a factor on the American Jewish scene.

Similar indictments may be made against any number of American Jewish organizations.

And the interesting thing is how any of these "vested interests," as Rabbi Opher terms them, will vehemently deny that they have been overstepping their original purposes, and how many of them will trot out the terms "growth" and "expansion" to justify their position.

Sincerely yours,
SAUL B. APPELBAUM

Rabbi,
Temple Israel,
Miami, Fla.

SEEKS JEWISH ORGANIZATION THAT WILL ACT; SAYS U. S. JEWS INDIFFERENT

Editor, The Jewish Post,

I am writing to you because I am greatly disturbed about the lassitude of American Jewry toward the misery of their brothers in Europe and Asia. We seem to be lacking the stamina to take action. The work done by the various Jewish relief agencies is praiseworthy, and so is the support given them by American Jewry. Money, however, does not suffice. We need an organization which will dedicate itself to arousing the peoples of the world about the plight and exploitation of Judaism, and which will attempt to put substance into the struggle of the Jews for freedom and liberty.

Zionists are selling shekolim now, in order to determine the number of delegates which will be sent to the coming World Zionist Congress. I shall buy my shekel because I am an ardent Zionist, but will I be able to determine the selection of our delegates, or will I, as an individual be able to voice my opinion in the instruction of our delegates? Zionism is decadent today and does not follow the lines laid down by Dr. Theodor Herzl, the founder of Political Zionism. Zionism has been toyed with by our leaders, and has been played up in an egotistical manner, being presented as a problem set

apart from others, and demanding special attention.

I still am waiting for our leaders to connect Zionism with the struggle for freedom of the suppressed people irrespective of race, creed, or color. Zionism must be an integral part of the fight against imperialism of any kind, be it the suppression of India, or the threat of atomic warfare. If Zionism does not reorientate itself into these channels, and if Zionism persists in its segregation from the community of democracy-loving people, it will never accomplish the tasks given it by the Jews. This is not a time for special attention, nor is it a time for legal quibbling and hackling; rather it is a time demanding action, common sense, and convictions.

The degradation of political Zionism, however, is not the only problem which causes me so much grief. What has been done by us to alleviate the dire emergency in Europe? Have we shown our brethren through actions that we have not forgotten that they still exist? Let us consider some of the following examples of inaction, and then let someone be bold enough to insist that the reaction of the American Jews has increased the morale, and the desire to live, in

Dr. Marks Denies He Approved Report

Editor, The Jewish Post,

CATEGORICALLY DENY WORDS ATTRIBUTED TO ME BY YOUR JERSEY CITY CORRESPONDENT ON FRONT PAGE OF YOUR APRIL 26TH ISSUE REGARDING MY ALLEGED APPROVAL OF REPORT OF ANGLO-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF INQUIRY. YOUR REPORT CONTAINED HALF TRUTHS AND STATEMENT IS TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT WHILE POSITIVE ASPECTS OF REPORT SUCH AS 100,000 IMMIGRATION WELCOMED BY ME, I VEHEMENTLY ATTACKED OTHER REPORTED SALIENT FEATURES OF COMMISSION'S REPORT AS NEGATION OF ZIONIST PRINCIPLES AND AS FLAGRANT VIOLATION SACRED PROMISES OF GREAT BRITAIN. URGED UPON AUDIENCE TO CONTINUE UNRELENTING EFFORT FOR JEWISH STATE, WHICH IS ONLY PERMANENT SOLUTION OF JEWISH PROBLEM. URGENTLY REQUEST PUBLICATION THIS TELEGRAM ON FRONT PAGE YOUR NEXT ISSUE.

DR. SIDNEY MARKS
Executive Director,
Zionist Organization of America.

Says Printing Reichert Speech Insult to Readers

Editor, The Jewish Post,

LONG SPEECH BY REICHERT, VICE PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN COUNCIL JUDAISM PRINTED IN APRIL 19 ISSUE OF POST IS INSULT TO READERS. TRUE STATISTICS ARE USED TO CONCEAL FALSE LOGIC. ACTIONS PROVE COUNCIL IS NOT FOR JUDAISM AND NAME IS INTENDED TO FOOL PEOPLE. STATEMENT THAT COUNCIL WANTS IMMIGRATION TO PALESTINE IS CRUEL HYPOCRISY AS COUNCIL ACTIVELY SABOTAGES EFFECTIVE ACTION TO OPEN PALESTINE. CONSIDER COUNCIL LEADERS TRAGIC EXAMPLES OF JEWS WHO HATE OTHER JEWS TO POINT OF MADNESS.

LEWIS DUBLIN
Brooklyn, N. Y.

the hearts of our suppressed co-religionists.

We sat by idly when Judge Rifkind presented his report dealing with anti-Semitism in the DP camps. We shook our fists in self-righteous indignation when we read about the murder of a Jewish youth in Vienna by a mob of former Nazis, but we did not rise in unanimous protest. We saw the pictures of the wooden freighter moored to the piers of La Spezia harbor, and we saw the dejected looks on some of the faces of the 1014 Jews; we read about the hunger strike of seventeen Jewish leaders in Jerusalem to protest against the treatment of these 1014 Jews, but there were no letters to our Congressmen, and there was no intervention sought to effect their immigration. ("Why should we protest in their favor, when the Anglo-American Inquiry Commission reported favorably on the admission of one hundred thousand Jews to Palestine? Did that report not solve the problem?") We heard about the speech of the president of the Austrian Nationalrat (equivalent of our Senate) concerning Jews, but we did not demand his imprisonment. This is what he said: "We do not want Polish Jews to settle in this country; as a matter of fact, we do not want any Jews at all. I have always been an anti-Semite, and

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CLAIMS A.D.L. ONLY MADE MATTERS WORSE BY AGREEMENT WITH F.B.I.

Editor, The Jewish Post,

The foes of the so-called "hush-hush" policy have long ranted and raved at the agencies who fight anti-Semitism in this country—the so-called "defense" or "civic protective" agencies. Yet, when driven to the wall to back up their contentions with concrete fact, they are often compelled to resort once again to the device of polemic—and the agency goes on its way placid and untrammelled. Below, your correspondent wishes to cite one example of the extremes of self-abasement which characterize these groups, in order to show how the decrepitude of their philosophy of Jewish life reflects in day-to-day relations to the outside, Gentile world.

I have before me a copy of the February 1946 issue of the bulletin and Washington News Letter of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. Heading the first page is an item "F.B.I. the first page is an item "F.B.I. Drops 'Jew' in Criminal Identification." We are then told the story of how representations were made to the Federal Bureau of Investigation by the ADL's Washington office, pointing out that "wanted" notices concerning criminals and fugitives do not identify persons of other religious backgrounds, therefore the terms "Jew" or "Jewish" should likewise be eliminated. To this, the F. B. I. was prepared to assent.

However, the ADL suggested, that in those cases where religious designation is felt to be of necessity, phraseology such as "Attends Jewish synagogue," "Frequent Jewish community" be used! This, presumably, reflects no anti-Semitic bias on the part of the government, whereas the simple designation "Jew" does!

Certainly anyone who would impute sinister anti-Jewish motives to the F. B. I. would be considered out of his mind by any right-thinking citizen. Therefore, why did the F. B. I. use the term "Jew" originally, and why is the casu-

istic change wrought by the ADL supposedly more pleasing?

The answer is very simple. The term "Jew" carries with it a certain definite group connotation. The ADL rightly claims that the Jews are not an ethnic group. But in their attempt to do fifth-column work at the expense of those (including the FBI) who recognize rightly that Jews tend to agglomerate, that they have certain common group characteristics which serve to identify them—in short, that they are a people—the ADL has succeeded at nothing more or less than casting what may in some cases be a lasting stigma on the Jewish religion, or on the Jewish community as a whole. If a "Wanted" poster identifying a criminal is circulated, as they truly are, in every village post-office and every police station in the land, let me ask the rabbis: Which would you prefer: "Jew" or "attends Jewish synagogue?" Or the heads of our community councils: Which would you prefer: "Jew" or "frequents Jewish community"? The answers are obvious.

All this is irrespective of the lack of truth in the designation. Although the Jews do have the lowest criminal rate of any group in our population, the rare Jewish criminal is not likely to be the synagogue-attending Jew, or the community-conscious Jew. These facts are self-evident.

It is high time that American Jewry woke up to the realization that it is nursing a viper within its bosom, and suckling it with millions—an "Anti-Defamation" League which engages in defamation fully as much as in anti-defamation.

ABBA H. SALZMAN,
Chicago, Ill.

Editor's Note: Mr. Salzman, a member of the editorial staff of The Student Zionist, formerly conducted a column "18 to 25" for The Post.

BROOKLYN ZIONIST GROUP ADOPTS POST'S SUGGESTION OF BREAD, SOUP MEAL

Editor, The Jewish Post,

The Hatikvah Zionist Club, ZOA District 101 of Brooklyn at a special meeting of its Executive has resolved to endorse the proposals of the Jewish Post Editorial of April 26th, in which the Editor of the Post suggests that every Jewish home should deny itself of at least one meal a week and the resultant savings should be channeled into the United Jewish Appeal as a money donation.

The Executive Committee has taken immediate steps to inform its membership of its decision and has set up a plan whereby it may be most effectively carried out.

Harry Talesnick President of the Hatikvah Zionist Club, commended the Executive for its stand and said:

"This is the type of action that appeals to American Jewish youth. This is the type of action that can only be countenanced within an organization which is motivated by a deep conviction that the Jewish way of life must be perpetuated.

"I hope that our recommendations to the United Jewish Appeal and the Zionist Organization of America will result in a National campaign whereby all of American Jewry will be enlisted under the banner of pride and will make the appropriate sacrifices to help insure the survival of our brethren in Europe, especially now that the gates of Palestine will be open to their arrival.

"I am glad that we have done this, for there is no better way I know of, of showing our personal concern for our people and the effect upon our own morale will be one of a needed revitalization. Less of us will feel morally bankrupt.

"American Jewry must listen to this plan or else stand condemned in the eyes of every discerning human being."

The Executive Committee went on record as commending The Jewish Post for its aggressive leadership and thanking its editor for his inspiring plan.

Respectfully submitted,
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Likes Reviews by Rabbi Theodore Lewis

Dear Mr. Lewis:

Ever since I have been a subscriber to The Jewish Post, I have found your book reviews one of the main features of this interesting weekly.

Generally, people will write when they have something about which to complain. I just wanted you to know that I find your book reviews stimulating, scholarly, and very helpful.

More power to you!
With kindest wishes, I am
Sincerely yours,
RABBI MORRIS SILVERMAN
Emanuel Synagogue,
Hartford, Conn.

DEFENDS IRGUN, ATTACKS WEIZMANN, JEWISH AGENCY AS TOOLS OF BRITISH

Editor, The Jewish Post,

So, the united Jewish front in Eretz-Israel is broken and at a time when such united effort is more necessary than ever before. Again, it's the Genval Zionists who broke Jewish unity, just as they did when our great teacher Zev Jobstinsky was alive.

The corrupt Jewish Agency condemned the latest attack on the British police by Jewish patriots. Can anyone conceive the logic of our so called "leaders?" When the Haganah, pardon, Haganah commits acts of violence, it's part of the fight of the resistance movement, but when real heroic deeds are carried out by members of the Irgun Zvi Leum and Stern group, it's "terror" that should be repudiated.

Since when has the Haganah and Jewish Agency the monopoly for murder, if one can honestly call the liquidation of some of our enemies by that term? If it's cold-blooded murder, as the British gangster (High Commissioner) calls it, then the same is also committed by the Haganah. Didn't they take the credit for previous raids on police stations and military camps, when British personnel were killed? Then why the distinction, British agents of the "Jewish" Agency?

It's very symbolic that the statement of that arch traitor and British tool Weizmann should be printed alongside with the statement of the High Commissioner. Why not? They both serve the same master. Weizmann and his Agency sent condolences to the families of the executed British swine. How about the fathers and mothers of the brave Jewish zealous who were murdered by the "gallant" British soldiers? This question is not directed to the Briton, Weizmann, but to those who follow and support him.

Now, we can understand, why a certain "Zionist" newspaper condones the act of an informer. It's directed from above. This is no doubt an act of appreciation to the British for the promise (and we know what happened to her pledges) to allow one hundred thousand Jews to enter our Homeland. We can just imagine what those ghetto slaves will do when even some of those Jews will actually be admitted into Eretz-Israel. They will no doubt again serve as informers for the British Gestapo.

You will note the United Press reports such incidents as a fight between Jews and the British. You see, the Goyim don't consider our Chaverim as "terrorists."

When we talk of cold-blooded murder, how was Abraham Stern killed? Did we receive a fair trial? Wasn't he murdered in cold blood in front of his wife? I described his death in a previous issue of The Post. How about all those Jewish patriots who are tortured in British concentration

camps that are no better than the German places of torture and sadism? How about all those relatives of Jewish heroes who are held as hostages by the British villains? But, we must remember, the British have an old monopoly for murder, torture and sadism. Why must "Zionists" support such action by our national enemies and oppressors?

You will also note, those responsible for the last operation were mainly Yemenite Jewish young men and women. They knew what it is to be a minority in an Arab state. They will fight to the last drop of blood, not against the White Paper only, but for a free and independent Jewish state in its historic boundaries.

What yours truly predicted some time ago, is a fact now. The leaders of Haganah have declared their fight is only against the White Paper. As soon as that document is abolished, they will put their arms down. But, I am afraid, they will use them against the Irgun and Stern group. I do hope, I should be wrong. Well, the abolition of the anti-Jewish laws alone, is not the aim of the Jewish terrorists.

Why do the United Zionists-Revisionists remain silent? Could it be they agree with their old-new partners in the Zionist organization? Didn't they accuse Abraham Stern of being a German agent? This was also done by the messenger boy of the Journal, J. L. Teller. We should remember, the Revisionist Hamashkif and Zionews called our Chaverim insane criminals when they began our fight against the British in vaders. But at their last convention they rendered some lip service to the Jewish underground, including the Irgun and Stern group. So, speak up "revolutionary" ionists (with your mouths).

But I am sure the normal Jews of Eretz-Israel understand and support those Jewish patriots and brave men and women. Regardless of the various reports to the contrary, the Irgun and Stern group are composed of thousands of Jewish youth. The slanderous Jewish news agencies did not have the slightest chance to know the number of their followers. There isn't a Jewish family in Eretz-Israel that one or more of their members does not belong to those fighting groups. Besides, mentally healthy Jews, know who the real enemy is.

May God bless and strengthen the hands of those who are for all of us. If Zionist leaders can't condone their action, let them at least remain silent or their informing tongues may be cut out.

I am,
Yours for a Jewish State,
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SAYS ZIONISM ABOVE DEBATE; WOULD IGNORE ROSENWALDS, BERGERS

Editor, The Jewish Post,

Reading the account of the "Zionist Debate" of April 13 in The Post of April 26, I am moved to agree with Miss Syrkin that it was anything but a victory. The fact alone that leading Zionists engage publicly in debate on Zionism does not speak well for Zionists.

Zionism today is above debate in spite of Rosenwald, Berger, Zuckerman and the like. Jewish realities settled that question and Zionists out of high school should not waste their time debating publicly.

The Bergers and Zuckermans will never be converted so let them have their say, disturb and

stay behind while we Zionists should attend to realities.
DR. SIMON MILLER,
Yonkers, N. Y.

Braniff Succeeds Prof. Hayes
Special
NEW YORK—Succeeding Prof. Carlton J. H. Hayes, Thomas E. Braniff of Dallas, Tex., president of the Braniff Airways and widely known Catholic layman, has been elected national Catholic chairman of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Prof. Hayes of Columbia University, who was formerly United States Ambassador to Spain, has resigned after serving for sixteen years.

This Week in Jewish History

By HARRY CUSHING

ANTI-SEMITIC riots in Elizabethgrad begin series of excesses against Jews in Southern Russia. After assassination of Alexander II, his reactionary son, Alexander III, came to the Russian throne. The

April 28, ascension of the new 1881 monarch was a signal for anti-Semitic groups to go into action. The Elizabethgrad troubles were touched off during an argument in an inn about Blood Libel. Incredible barbaries were carried out with the co-operation of the police. Some 500 homes and more than 100 Jewish business establishments were destroyed and many persons were killed. Property to the extent of 2,000,000 roubles was stolen or destroyed. The Elizabethgrad outrages spread to other communities and within a few weeks massacres of Jews throughout Southern Russia became as prevalent as those of the Middle Ages. It was thus that began the great wave of Jewish migration from eastern Europe to America. Today, more than 70 per cent of the Jewish community in the United States originates from eastern Europe.

Death of Joshua de Silva. He was officially the first "Chacham" of the Sephardic community of London. The title **April 29**, "Chacham" among Sephardic Jews is equivalent to that of rabbi

among the Ashkenazic Jews. Upon his death his sermons were published in a memorial volume. These sermons were the first delivered in England and were, of course, published in Spanish. In passing it is worthwhile mentioning that the Sephardic Jews do not speak Yiddish but Ladino which is the Spanish Yiddish. Because the great majority of American Jews stem from Eastern and Central Europe, Yiddish is common here. The Sephardic

Says Need More Militant Jewish Organization

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I shall never cease to be one. I am proud of it."

We read in the papers how Nazis who had confiscated Jewish property took back the former owners as their, the Nazis' partners (!) in order to prevent denazification proceedings against these criminals, but we did not do anything. We read about Nazis basking in the glory and comfort of their illegally obtained wealth, and we read about the wild parties they threw for our officers in their lavishly decorated mansions, and we also read about the Jews who live in rotten DP camps, but we did nothing in protest. Did we know that there were about one thousand and five hundred Jews, refugees from Burma, who are faced with dire emergencies, and who may be forced to return to devastated Rangoon? What did we do to rehabilitate them? I have served in that part of the world. I know that their future bears from them only sorrow and privation.

I could go on for many more pages, but I believe that I have presented enough evidence to substantiate my demand: the formation of a Jewish organization which will go out and act, which will fight for the rehabilitation of Jewry, which will give moral support to supplement the relief work, and which will make the world conscious that every third Jew has given his life for the cause of freedom and democracy. We need a committee which will demand that we be

communities still maintain their own jargon which is Ladino. Upon his death Joshua de Silva was succeeded as Chacham of London's Sephardic Jews by Jacob Abendana, translator of the "Cuzari" into Ladino.

Decree ordering Jews to leave Spain publicly announced. The Edict of Expulsion was issued a month earlier but it

April 30, wasn't made public until April 30, 1492. According to the order, the Jews were permitted to dispose of their property as well as they were able and could take with them goods and chattels, but neither gold nor silver nor precious stones. No good Christian, on penalty of the confiscation of his possessions, could give shelter or assistance to the banished people after the expiration of the four months they were allowed to remain in the country. The edict was a stunning blow. For 1,500 years the forbears of the Jews had lived in the Iberian Peninsula; they had contributed liberally to its wealth and culture. Now suddenly they were turned adrift—compelled to dispose of homes, of debts, of all possessions, within a limited period, in a falling market; forbidden to take other bills of exchange with them. Even the expulsions from France and England had been more humane.

Death of Moses Isserles, Polish rabbi and code annotator. A member of a distinguished family, he was comparatively young **May 1**, when he was chosen as 1572 associate rabbi in Cracow, and from far-away countries scholars submitted to him questions of religious law. His wide knowledge in all branches of Jewish learning enabled him to furnish the "Cloth" "Mappah"—so he called his annotations—for Caro's "Prepared

Table" ("Shulchan Aruch"). In these supplementary notes Isserles incorporated the religious customs of Germany and Poland and the decision of the German rabbinical authorities when they clashed with opinions of the Spanish school followed by Caro. Thus only did the "Shulchan Aruch" obtain a footing among the Jews of Poland and Germany, and the influence of the combined work has been manifest in Jewish life to our times.

Death of Rabbi Meir of Rothenburg, tosafist, codifier and liturgical poet. He was a voluminous writer and the **May 2**, greatest Talmudic authority of his period. It was his activities in behalf of a proposed mass migration of Jews to Palestine, inspired by the many massacres, which brought upon him his famed imprisonment. He had gone to England to meet with a group of the Jewish pilgrims who were planning the trip to Palestine. When he arrived in London he was denounced by an apostate, and by instructions of the bishop he was seized and sent back to Germany. He was imprisoned by the emperor at Ensisheim, near Colmar and kept in close confinement, though his disciples were permitted to visit him for instruction. The Jewish community was prepared to pay a ransom fee of 20,000 silver marks to have him freed but the great sage refused to permit his co-religionists to make the payment for fear it would serve as a precedent for future extortion. Rabbi Meir remained in prison until May 2, 1293 when he died in his 73d year. However, the authorities refused to give up his body without the payment of a ransom fee. This was done years later by a Frankfurt Jew, whose reward was being buried, upon his death, next to the great teacher at Worms.

Yeshiva U. Enrolls 1,100, Turns Down 500

Special
NEW YORK—An enrollment of 1,100 students, the highest in the history of Yeshiva University, with students from twenty-five states in the United States and from twenty foreign countries including for the first time students from Brazil and Peru, was reported by Dr. Samuel Belkin, president, Yeshiva University.

Dr. Belkin disclosed that more than 500 applications for admission to the six integral Schools comprising the first university under Jewish auspices, have been turned down because of the lack of facilities.

The university has embarked on an academic and physical expansion program, for which a \$5,000,000 campaign is now underway.

Survey Shows Canadian Against Immigration

Jewish Telegraphic Agency
TORONTO—Only 21 per cent of Canada's population is in favor of large-scale immigration from Europe, according to a survey by the Canadian Institute of Public Opinion.

To the question "Would you like to see a large number of people from the European continent migrate to Canada, or not?" sixty-one per cent said "No," while eight per cent were undecided and ten per cent qualified their vote. The province of Quebec is not only opposed to European immigration but to immigration from the British Isles as well.

Sincerely yours,
ERIC ELLENBOGEN
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Reader Likes Alpert Column of Last Week

Editor, The Jewish Post,
Let me congratulate your columnist, Carl Alpert, on his recent article regarding the Jewish communal building boom in this country. It was well timed, well written, and, I am sure, well accepted by the vast majority of your discerning readers.

I do object to the all-too-graphic title of the article, "God Will Spit On Million Dollar Temples." My contention is that God won't even bother doing that.
JOSH FRIEDMAN
Cleveland, O.

Dr. Freehof Speaker At Wise Centenary

Special
NEW YORK—Dr. Solomon B. Freehof of Pittsburgh, Pa., will be guest speaker at the annual Founder's Day Service of the New York Federation of Reform Synagogues Sunday afternoon, May 12, at the Central Synagogue. The observance marks the 100th anniversary of the coming to the United States of Rabbi Isaac M. Wise.

I Think as I Please

By CARL ALPERT

Farewell to Arms

THE writing of a weekly column can be a harrowing experience. At times, only one-seventh as nerve wracking as the penning of a daily column, to be sure, but enervating and aggravating nonetheless. And I sit before a borrowed typewriter now trying in vain to concentrate on the production of my weekly stint, but under great handicaps.

For one thing, I have just undergone that thrilling and exhilarating experience known as separation from the armed forces. Psychologists have so long been warning civilians on the treatment of returning servicemen, as if they represented peculiar and abnormal problems, that I have psycho-analyzed myself into a state of near frenzy in an effort to be perfectly natural. The transition from military to civilian life requires, more than anything else, a change in pace. Despite public opinion to the contrary, there is an unhurried, leisurely air about everything the army does. Swift movements, rushed orders, are always interspersed between long, long periods of waiting. The army is a huge, bulky machine which moves clumsily and deliberately. Army administrative procedure always reminds me of a pre-historic monster. What tremendous power must have been necessary to overcome the inertia of those huge bodies, and how deliberately they must have moved, placing first one, then another huge leg before them, as they lumbered clumsily along.

THE PACE is different in civilian life, and one is temporarily bewildered by the unaccustomed tempo.

To make matters even worse, I find myself in New York City, where one likewise finds it difficult to maintain fair sense of proportion. It is regrettable that so many of American Jewry's leaders live in New York, and that so much of the activity and "business" of the Jewish community nationally comes from the metropolis, for this city is in a world apart from the rest of American Jewry. It is no accident that the Jews of the "provinces," Detroit, Atlanta, Indianapolis, Omaha and elsewhere sometimes rebel against the domination of Jewish affairs by New York Jewry, for the perspective and, hence the understanding of American life is different.

The contrast is not all to the discredit of one area or the other. In behalf of New York, be it said, one may find more intensive and more fruitful Jewish living there. The opportunities for Jewish study, the lectures, the concerts, the theatre, are well known. Synagogues are everywhere within reach; facilities make possible dietary observance with ease; one may obtain the companionship and friendship of stimulating minds. Life in New York, Jewishly speaking, may be rich and satisfying.

ON THE OTHER HAND, in the process of enrichment something of human value has been lost. The warmth of life in the small Jewish community is completely unknown in New York. Compare the compact, friendly, well organized Jewry in Jacksonville (or any other medium sized city) with the sprawling, heterogeneous, disorganized mass of two and a half million Jews in New York. Jewishly speaking the provinces may be more ignorant, for lack of access to sources of information which New York takes for granted, but the feeling of responsibility, for Jewish life is greater. The proportion of unsynagogued, or unaffiliated, is far less in the small city. Indeed, it has always amazed me to observe how hundreds and hundreds of thousands of Jews can live in New York, surrounded by all the religious and cultural opportunities there, and yet remain as oblivious and as detached as if they were in a desert thousands of miles away.

These are observations induced at the moment not merely by my presence in New York; I have spent much time there on previous occasions. But now, returning to civilian life, and seeking to resume the interrupted threads of life, this provincial young man finds it necessary to make a crucial decision. Discarding for the moment otherwise important economic factors, the question is: Shall I take up residence in New York and abandon, forever, the quiet, warm, friendly, unhurried, human atmosphere of life in a small city? It is not an easy decision to make.

Rabbi Schneersohn To Appear at Ceremony

SPECIAL
BROOKLYN—The personal participation of the world leader of Jewish orthodoxy, Rabbi Joseph I. Schneersohn—the Lubavitcher Rabbi—at the opening day ceremonies of the dedication of the new building of the Central Lubavitcher Yeshiva Sunday, May 12th, has been announced by his son-in-law, Rabbi S. Gourary, chairman of the 33 United Lubavitcher Yeshivah.

This will be one of the rare public appearances of Rabbi Schneersohn in this country.

Provision for outdoor seating arrangements, open to the public, will enable 5,000 spectators to view the proceedings comfortably.

The Women's Division of the American Jewish Congress has organized sixteen Yiddish-speaking chapters.

Jews Have Message Says Rabbi, But as Group

SPECIAL
CHICAGO—In an address before the North Austin Methodist Church in Chicago, Rabbi S. Felix Mendelsohn, spiritual leader of Temple Beth Israel, declared that the "mission of the Jew is not yet fulfilled." Voicing a skepticism about the ability of Judaism to exert influence in the Diaspora, Rabbi Mendelsohn stated that "it is easy to see that Judaism will once again witness its triumph in Palestine. The rebuilding of Palestine by the Jews in our day is a logical and necessary process, and diplomatic duplicity, power politics and oil interests cannot stop it."

The rabbi contradicted the reports that the Jewish people is dying as being "highly exaggerated." "Jewish communities may be exterminated; individual Jews may eliminate themselves from our midst, but the Jewish people will continue to live."

"We Jews are convinced that



Exposes Anti-Semites

Quentin Reynolds, radio commentator and foreign correspondent, is narrator of the new Joint Defense Appeal 16 mm. movie, entitled "Linked In Freedom's Cause," which depicts for the first time on the screen the threat of anti-Semitism to American democratic rights. It is now available for showing to Jewish organizations on a no-charge basis. Written, acted and produced by some of the finest talent of Hollywood, "Linked In Freedom's Cause" is a startling, realistic disclosure of the enemies of democracy—who they are, where they are located, what they are doing—and how the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, whose coordinated programs are made possible by the Joint Defense Appeal, are combatting these evil forces.

Requests for "Linked In Freedom's Cause" should be addressed to Jacob Schwab, public relations director, Joint Defense Appeal, 119 West 57 St., New York 19, N. Y.

Rabbi Wise Terms Rankin 'Treasonable'

World Wide News Service
NEW YORK—Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, characterized Representative John Rankin of Mississippi, as "the most treasonable enemy of American democracy" and recommended that he be "banished from its life."

The Jewish leader made the charge at a mass meeting in Manhattan Center sponsored by the Manhattan division of the American Jewish Congress "to combat the rising tide of race hatred in the United States." He told the 2,500 persons present that he challenged Mr. Rankin to meet in open court where, he remarked, the Representative would not be "protected by the Halls of Congress."

After denouncing race hatred, Dr. Wise declared: "I'm sorry for those who raise the flag of bigotry. They are bound to destroy themselves."

AJC Pushes Tax Exemption Bill

SPECIAL
NEW YORK—An amendment to the tenement rehabilitation bill, which would forbid racial or religious discrimination by a landlord receiving tax-exemption for his remodeled dwelling was urged by the Commission on Law and Social Action of the American Jewish Congress at a public hearing before the City Council Housing Committee on the bill to stimulate the repair of vacant houses. The proposal would pattern a similar law for large housing projects passed in 1944.

we have not outlived our usefulness and that we still have a vital message to the world. We can bring this message only by remaining a distinct group."

Bravest Man I Ever Saw

Jewish Refugee Wins DSC for Heroism on Okinawa; Heads All-Refugee J.W.V. Post

NEW YORK—Described by his commanding officer on Okinawa as "the bravest man I ever met," a 27-year-old refugee from Germany who served as a U. S. Army medic in some of the war's toughest battles on Pacific islands, was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross by command of Gen. "Vinegar Joe" Stilwell on April 28 at a public ceremony in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, N. Y., for "gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty."

The refugee hero is slim, wiry T/5 Leo Rosskamm, a native of Merlau, Oberhessen, Germany, who came to the United States in August 1939 after six months of torture in the Buchenwald Concentration Camp. He is one of the long roster of refugees assisted by the National Refugee Service, constituent agency of the United Jewish Appeal, who have repaid America's hospitality with heroic war service.

Heads All Refugee J.W.V. Post

The DSC, one of the highest American military decorations was conferred on Rosskamm at a ceremony arranged by the New York State Department and the Kings County Council of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States at which 1,100 new members were inducted. Among those present were many of Rosskamm's 130 buddies in the 100-percent refugee Henry Sander Post 357 of the Jewish War Veterans, of which Rosskamm is senior vice commander.

"He's a real hero and he stands out even among medical aid men who are all heroes," said Rosskamm's commanding officer, Lt. A. M. Oshlag, First Battalion Medical Detachment, 106th Infantry, 27th Division, when interviewed on Okinawa.

Only Anxious To Repay Debt

Rosskamm grinned and said: "I am trying to do what I can. I owe plenty to the United States and I am anxious to repay it."

The citation awarding the DSC to the young refugee describes how Rosskamm, in several battles on Okinawa during April, 1945, repeatedly dashed into direct Japanese fire to care for wounded buddies and carry them to safety, protected them with his own body, and refused to quit even when seriously wounded himself.

"The intrepidity and extraordinary heroism displayed by Technician Rosskamm," the citation reads, "was a source of deep inspiration to all who witnessed his acts, which were performed in the finest tradition of the United States Military Service."

Worked in Indianapolis

Rosskamm was released from Buchenwald when his U.S. visa was granted. He arrived in the United States in the summer of 1939. Rosskamm held several jobs in New York City and Indianapolis as a dishwasher, soda clerk, and butcher's helper. He was helped in his job hunt by the National Refugee Service. Then, on January 29, 1941, he volunteered for the Army.

Also living in New York now is Rosskamm's sister Mata. He does not know the present whereabouts of other members of his family, including his parents, Joseph and Telka Rosskamm, who remained in Germany, another sister, Frieda, last known to be in France, and a brother, Arthur.

BLAME LOW MORALE AS 1,000 DP's ATTACK GERMANS; 2 ARE KILLED

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

MUNICH—A dusk-to-dawn curfew was clamped down on the Landsberg camp for displaced Jews following a battle between German civilians and Jewish DP's, during which two of the latter were killed and many injured. Forty of the wounded required hospitalization. According to the best available information, the disturbance began when a crowd of more than 1,000 DP's swept into the town and attacked German civilians, who, according to rumors, had attacked several Jews. It continued for six hours, before American military police succeeded in forcing the DP's back into their camp.

The rioting was more severe because hundreds of Germans were in the streets en route to or from polling places, where they had voted for members of new county councils.

According to Chaplain Abraham Klausner of Denver, the morale in the camp was at low ebb, because the inmates were on the verge of marking the first anniversary of their liberation, with no indication as to where or when they could find new homes and begin rebuilding their lives.

Surviving Jews Bitter Against Germans-Becker

By DAVE KIRSHENBLATT

SPECIAL
MONTREAL, Que. — Surviving Jews living in Germany want to see farms, food, homes and clothing taken away from the conquered Germans, Lavy Becker of Montreal, head of the American Joint Distribution Committee in the American Occupation Zone in Germany, told the Jewish Post upon his arrival here from Europe.

Mr. Becker explained that this desire was motivated by the fact that when the Nazis were in power Jews were treated similarly.

JEWS TREK TO SOUTH EUROPEAN PORTS SEEKING WAY TO SLIP TO PALESTINE

Jewish World News Service

LONDON—There is a long long trek of Jewish displaced persons and refugees from every country in Europe to Palestine, reported Mr. Benjamin Mintz, the leader of the Hapfel Agudas Israel, who had been traveling for the Jewish Agency in Palestine from every country in Europe, not only from Germany, Austria and Poland, Jews are trailing to the Mediterranean ports and clamoring to get to Palestine. Many march on foot for hundreds of miles. The majority of the people are poor and live under terrible conditions, but that does not stop them from making every effort to get to Palestine.

Justice Stern Offers Solution To Palestine Question

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Deploing the "confused counsels" which have racked American Jewry over the question of Palestine, Justice Horace Stern of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, in an article in the forthcoming May issue of The National Jewish Monthly, published by B'nai B'rith, calls upon Zionists and non-Zionists to adopt a plan for the future government of Palestine on which all can agree.

Justice Stern, who is a prominent Philadelphia communal leader, suggests a five-point program for the establishment of a Jewish majority in a democratic Palestine:

1. There is no single solution to the Jewish problem. At best, whatever the future of Palestine, the major portion of the Jewish people will have to live in the Diaspora. This makes it imperative to obtain protection and guarantees for Jews in all of the countries of the world in which they live or desire to live.

Wants Zionists, Non-Zionists to Agree on Plan

2. While Palestine can be a haven for only a part of the Jewish people, its development and welfare are of extreme and urgent importance because of its potentialities as a country in which very large numbers of Jews may dwell and because of the sentimental and emotional urge of large masses of Jews to live in the land of their fathers. It is now vital that Zionists and non-Zionists should therefore agree on a plan to be submitted to the United Nations for the future government of Palestine and for the determination of the status of the Jews with respect to that country.

3. Immigration to Palestine must be substantial, but should be in accordance with the absorptive capacity of the country, as that capacity is progressively developed. There must be established some objective, reasonable standard or guide by which the immigration shall be governed and the number may, from time to time, be determined. This task should be in the hands of an appropriate agency (preferably a commission composed of American jurists, business executives, or representative men of affairs generally). The Jewish Agency for Palestine should be charged with the duty of carrying out the immigration program thus fixed.

4. Every country should be granted self-government when it "comes of age." In the case of Palestine, however, it is obvious that if such government were to be established while the Jews remain in the minority, their continued growth and development there might be imperiled, and the legislation of the country would not be of a nature most conducive to social and economic progress. The aim, therefore, should be a Jewish majority in Palestine.

Government Should Be Democratic, Non-Sectarian

5. If and when Palestine obtains self-government, the government should be a democratic, non-sectarian one modelled upon that of the U.S., the name and flag of the country to indicate its character. Palestine would be "Jewish" only in the sense that the Jewish population, protected by a majority status, would have the opportunity for free and full development, with the United Nations guaranteeing the observance of the conditions herein set forth.

"What more should Zionists desire?" Justice Stern asks in conclusion. "And to what, in a Palestine state so organized, can non-Zionists object?"

May Sue School Board In Release Time Tiff

EASTON, Pa.—Backed by a militant group, of which Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg and the Jewish Community Council are members, a court fight seemed to be in the offing here to attempt to forestall the introduction of "release-time" religious instruction in the city's schools.

A demand by the group opposing the religious instruction that the School Board rescind its previous action approving release-time was rejected, although permission to hold a protest mass meeting at the Wolf Junior High School was granted.

Appearing before the board, Rabbi Trachtenberg offered to present figures showing that release time had been a failure in this country, but was told he could submit a memorandum.

Dr. J. C. Lipsett is chairman of the committee made up of the following organizations: Central Labor Union, Citizens Political Action Committee, Civil Liberties Union, Congress for Industrial Organization, Easton branch of the Pennsylvania Committee for a Permanent Fair Employment Practices Commission, Jewish Community Council and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The committee threatened legal action against individual members of the board to the highest Court of the State and Nation and a taxpayer's suit to hold members of the board personally responsible for any expenses incurred through such legal action.

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PROF. THREATENS TO RESIGN AS VIENNA STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE AGAINST JEWS

VIENNA—A new disturbing anti-Semitic demonstration occurred in the Vienna University during a lecture on Jurisprudence by Professor Eugene Planitz, who is not a Jew. Prof Planitz was discussing the contributions of the famous Jewish lawyers in Austria towards the constitution and administration of the country, when the anti-Semitic students began to shout: "We don't want to hear about the Jews. Tell us about Austrians."

The Professor refused to yield to their bullying and continued with his lecture and later announced he would resign if the anti-Semites continued their interruptions and demonstrations against the Jews.

Dr. Michael Traub, Zionist Leader

NEW YORK—Dr. Michael Traub, 55, Palestine Zionist leader and an authority on Jewish migration problems, who arrived in this country several months ago as a special delegate of the Keren Hayesod of Jerusalem, died at Mt. Sinai hospital this week after an eight-week illness.

Allied Commission Suspends Zionist Paper

EUCHAREST—The Zionist newspaper Munturea was suspended this week for two months by order of the Allied Control Commission "for attacks against the Allies." The paper recently severely criticized British policy in Palestine. The order of the Allied Control Commission was conveyed to Zionist leaders here by the Rumanian Ministry of Information.

Story From New Yorker On Eternal Light

NEW YORK—A Quiet Life in Hampshire a radio play by Morton Wishengrad, adapted from an article by Mollie Painter-Downes which appeared in The New Yorker on March 2, 1946, will be presented on the Eternal Light program, Sunday, over NBC, 11:00 a. m.; WEA, 12 Noon, EST, under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Rabbi Henry Fisher of Congregation B'nai Zion, Chicago, will deliver a short address.

Goal Half Reached Before Start

ATLANTIC CITY—This seashore resort will open its record \$250,000 drive on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal on May 8 with more than half the emergency goal already subscribed. Over the week-end members of the Linwood Country Club, made up largely of Jewish business and professional men, announced subscriptions of \$137,000 in initial gifts. Additional contributions of \$31,700 were announced at a testimonial dinner given Rabbi Moshe Shapiro, of Rodef Sholem Synagogue on the occasion of his 25th anniversary in the Orthodox rabbinate.

Farm School Award to Wallace

PHILADELPHIA—The National Farm School gave its first award to Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace for his work in developing hybrid corn. Wallace was the main speaker at ceremonies marking the 50th anniversary of the school held in Waldorf Astoria, New York.

Yiddish Group Approves Inquiry Body Report

BOSTON, Mass.—A resolution endorsing the reported recommendation by the Anglo-American Inquiry that 100,000 Jewish refugees be allowed to enter Palestine immediately and that the British White Paper restricting immigration of Jews be rescinded was adopted by the 14th convention of educators representing the Yiddish Afternoon Schools of the Workmen's Circle, at the Hotel Bradford, here, Sunday afternoon.

The 250 delegates representing the United States and Canada, voted for an advertising campaign in the communities where the schools are conducted, to increase enrollments.

Benjamin Fleisher Dies

PHILADELPHIA — Benjamin W. Fleisher, 76, member of a prominent Philadelphia family and former owner-publisher of The Japan Advertiser died in Rochester, Minn.

Florida State College for Women to Serve Kosher Meals Regularly in School Dining Hall to Jewish Students

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—A pleasant antidote to the depressing stories about quotas and discrimination against Jewish students in certain colleges and universities, is the following little story from the Florida State College for Women located here:

A number of Jewish girls, who are registered at this college, come from strictly Orthodox Jewish homes. They have encouraged great hardship in their efforts to secure Kosher meals. Rabbi Alex J. Goldman, who is the director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at the college,

took the matter up with college authorities and obtained their permission to make proper arrangements with the school dietician. Beginning with the third quarter, arrangements were made to serve Kosher meals regularly in the college dining halls to those girls who request them.

This is a unique development and a fine indication of the understanding accorded Jewish students in many colleges, which are anxious to guard the religious susceptibilities of every denominational group.

Rabbi Greenberg Married

NEW YORK—The marriage of Rabbi Leonard A. Greenberg and Miss Blanche Gootkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gootkin of the Bronx, was solemnized recently. Rabbi Greenberg is Hillel director at Tufts College, Medford, Mass.

"Complimentary membership for one year will be given to all returning men or women Jewish war veterans by Temple Shalom, Chicago's largest Reform congregation."

Daughter of Publisher Engaged

NEW YORK—Miss Ruth Sulzberger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hays Sulzberger, has announced her engagement to Ben Hale Golden, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lynn Golden, of Miami, Fla. Miss Sulzberger is a granddaughter of Adolph S. Ochs, publisher of The New York Times, and her father is the present publisher. Mr. Golden, who was in the Army Air Forces for almost two years, is associated with the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Rabbi Julian Feingold Elected

EAST ORANGE, N. J.—Rabbi Julian Feingold, of Cleveland, Miss., has been elected Junior Rabbi of Temple Sharey Tefilo here. Rabbi Feingold, who will assist Rabbi Marius Ranson, is a graduate of the Jewish Institute of Religion. He will assume his duties on Sept. 1.

Nurse Wanted

WANTED—Registered or practical nurse to administer a small Jewish Old People's Home under the direction of a trained social worker. Good pay and complete maintenance. Write or call Mr. Berman, L.L. 6513, or Wa. 9214, Pennway Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind.

CATHOLIC PRIESTS ATTEND WARSAW GHETTO REVOLT MEMORIAL SERVICES

WARSAW—An interesting feature of the mass meetings and memorial services marking the third anniversary of the revolt in the Warsaw ghetto in most of the bigger cities of Poland was the presence of many Catholic priests and of high dignitaries of the Church. In Cracow, Cardinal Saphea, the highest Catholic dignitary of Poland came down to the memorial meeting, much to the surprise of the Cracow Jews. Cardinal Saphea is not known for his good feelings towards the Jews and last October when seventy Jews were killed in Cracow in an attack on them by the Endek underground the Cardinal did not raise his voice against the outrage.

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